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SHORTWAVE AIRINGS OF WORLD OF RADIO 1789, September 3-9, 2015

Thu 1130	WRMI	9955
Thu 2100	WRMI	7570 [confirmed]
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Fri 2130	WRMI	7570 [confirmed]
Fri 2330	WRMI	5850 [confirmed]
Sat 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
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Sat 1930v	WAØRCR	1860-AM
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Sun 2300	WRMI	11580 [confirmed]
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51 [not on SW]
Mon 0330	WRMI	9955 [confirmed]
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Wed 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v

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WORLD OF RADIO PODCASTS:

Tnx to Dr Harald Gabler and the Rhein-Main Radio Club.
<http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-service/podcast/glenn-hauser-world-of-radio-podcast>

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
<http://shortwave.am/wor.xml>

AND ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
<http://feeds.feedburner.com/GlennHausersWorldOfRadio>

Also via [but still not back in service]:
<http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/>

OUR ONDEMAND AUDIO:

<http://www.worldofradio.com/audiomid.html>
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<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/>

** ABKHAZIA. Voice of Abkhazia was on 9535 SW (not heard since Nov 2014) // 1350 MW (30 kW) and five FM frequencies (Editor Anker Petersen, DSWCI DX Window Sept 2 via DXLD)

** ALASKA. Very weak signal of KNLS, The New Life Station
0800-0900 on 11870 NLS 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs English
1000-1100 on 11870 NLS 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs English
1100-1200 on 11870 NLS 100 kW / 300 deg to NEAs Russian
1200-1300 on 11870 NLS 100 kW / 270 deg to SEAs English
(Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Aug 26: KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 1000
on 11870 Anchor Point
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ElCYmglI20Q&feature=youtu.be>

KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 1026 on 11870
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YkZ-6TCcMI4&feature=youtu.be>

KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 1200 on 11870
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rRXA60hZeFk&feature=youtu.be>

KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 1235 on 11870
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c51bxFcldhZA&feature=youtu.be>

KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 1248 on 11870
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKnmnFVQ48c&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

Aug 27: KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 0800 on 11870
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sYK9qdlnufo&feature=youtu.be>

KNLS The New Life Station in English to SEAs 0820 on 11870
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n6HyIDHj5HQ&feature=youtu.be>

Much better signal of KNLS, The New Life Station on Aug 29:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/very-weak-signal-of-knls-new-life.html>

Weak signal of KNLS, The New Life Station on August 29
1500-1600 on 9655 NLS 100 kW / 300 deg to NEAs Russian, QRM RL
Belorussian on 9645
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

Fair reception of KNLS on 11870 kHz at 0800 UT, tuning signal and into
English programme, S10 333; Wewn just audible underneath in Spanish.
(Russ Cummings, AOR7030+, 60ft long wire, North Ferriby, East
Yorkshire, UK, Aug 30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

** ALGERIA. New SW Transmitters for Algeria --- This from
RadioWorld.com; new Ampegon SW transmitters for TÈlÈdiffusion
diAlgÈrie which will eventually replace the current Issoudun usage.
<http://www.radioworld.com/article/t%C3%A9l%C3%A9diffusion-d%E2%80%99alg%C3%A9rie-opt-for-ampegon-/276944>
Not clear if each site gets two transmitters, or just one at each site
(Stephen Luce, Houston, Texas, Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD) Viz.:

T...L...DIFFUSION DiALG...RIE OPTS FOR AMPEGON

Algerian broadcaster TÈlÈdiffusion diAlgÈrie has enlisted Switzerland-based company Ampegon to install shortwave transmission systems at

two sites in Bechar and Ouargla. These new transmitters will enable TDA to broadcast shortwave without utilizing third-party vendors, says the company.

Ampegon will develop turnkey solutions at both sites including two 300 kW shortwave transmitters, two shortwave antenna systems and civil works. The project is estimated to be completed at the end of 2016.

Ampegon, in cooperation with Transradio, previously installed a 1.5 MW longwave transmission system in Algeria near Tipaza, and is presently modernizing two medium-wave transmitter stations in Bechar and Oulet Fayed. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, and Mike Terry, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

Euro-African Medium Wave Guide (EMWG), website: <http://www.emwg.info> lists the affected mediumwave transmitters as follows:

576 kHz:

ALG - Radio Saoura, BÈchar (400) - 0800-1600; also relay ChaÓne 1; directional antenna

837 kHz:

ALG - ChaÓne 3, BÈchar (5) - 0500-0100 in French

891 kHz:

ALG - ChaÓne 1, Oulet Fayet (300/100) - 24h in Arabic, max. 600 kW, weak modulation

1422 kHz:

ALG - Radio Coran/Radio Mitidja/Radio UFC/Radio Culture/ChaÓne 3, Ouled Fayet (50) - 24h in French and Arabic; Radio Coran: 0400-0800; Radio Culture: 1600-2000

Notes

1. ALG = Algeria
2. time is in UT. For the conversion between local time and UT, EMWG uses European winter time (UT +1 hour)
3. transmitting power is in kilowatts.
4. I don't know which one is correct: Oulet Faiet or Oulet Fayed

I have read that 153 kHz transmitter in BÈchar is not active. Do someone has info about this?

153 kHz:

ALG - Alger ChaÓne 1/Radio AlgÈrie Int, BÈchar (2000) - ChaÓne 1: 0200-0100 in Arabic; Radio AlgÈrie Int: 0100-0200 in Arabic

I don't know if ALG is active on 198 kHz or not. In Hungary I don't hear it, only BBC comes at nights.

198 kHz:

ALG - Alger ChaÓne 1/Radio AlgÈrie Int, Ouargla (2000) - ChaÓne 1:
0200-0100 in Arabic; Radio AlgÈrie Int: 0100-0200 in Arabic

Ampegon made a very good job on 252 kHz. I can hear Algeria in the evenings, at night and in the morning too. Reception quality is good, no fading in Budapest, Hungary. I also checked it on Twente SDR and I noticed the battle between ALG and RTE in the evenings. I think it is not incidental that petitioners for saving of RTE Ireland want RTE to move to 261 kHz which is empty and leave ALG alone on 252 kHz. This would be the best for RTE. I can imagine what will happen if the above transmitters will be renewed!!!

EMWG data says:

252 kHz:

ALG - ChaÓne 1/ChaÓne 3/Radio AlgÈrie Int., Tipaza (1500*) - 0500-0200: ChaÓne 1/ChaÓne 3: Arabic and French transmissions; Radio AlgÈrie Int.: 0600-0630 French, 0630-0638 English, 0638-0725 French, 0725-0734 Spanish, 0734-1900 French, 1900-2000 Spanish, 2000-2100 English, 2100-0100 French; *: 0600-1800: 1500 kW, 1800-0200 & 0500-0600: 750 kW; also observed on 253 kHz

I would like to ask what is the status of Radio AlgÈrie Internationale. I don't hear it; only French transmissions are available in the evenings. I can recommend European listeners to tune to this frequency to hear the music programmes in the evening; they are quite pleasant and the female presenter's voice is nice. Once I heard her singing with the singer of a song played in her programme. She sings well; maybe she will do it again for you, if you will be GOOD. Regards, (Tibor Gaal, Budapest, Hungary, dxldyg via DXLD)

Could be probably two transmitters each site, as governmental public TDA broadcaster will have a reserve unit locally for maintenance matter and so --- Long wait on these TDA Qargla and Bechar sites plan:

ALG requested still these wooden planing entries with 300 kW at Qargla and Bechar sites in B-15 season, like in past 6! years, but latest Google Earth images reveal no newly antennas erected yet, at these ALG sites. Still usage via Issoudun TDF France relay site on RTA broadcast at present.

At present Bechar LW 153 and MW 576 kHz are silent now, to allow new build-up MW unit at this site. TransRadio transmitters erection and Ampegon antenna refurbishing is still underway.

see latest Google Earth image of the site: since Jan 2015 the old 3 mast MW antennas laid down, and to be replaced by a SINGLE MAST with newly erected EARTH COPPER NET, all visible at Bechar MW site now. 576

kHz is not much used these days, former co-channels Muehlacker and Schwerin Germany, Baltic state and USSR units, and others scrapped down now. Only Bulgaria Vidin is on air on 576 kHz I guess. wb

re ALG / TransRadio Berlin, Ampegon Schifferstadt Germany.
work at present on 252 {finished in 2014 already}
/ 576 / 891 kHz sites, and SWs TDA Qargla and Bechar

We featured these plans and erection work in past months/years already in DXLD.

LW Tipaza 252 kHz
old Czech TESLA site of 1972 (like 272/270 kHz site)

> > Ampegon made a very good job on 252 kHz

Ampegon Schifferstadt Germany refurbished the old Czech mast from 1972, in 2014, and erected new COPPER EARTH reflection net there.

TransRadio Berlin put the new solid state TX of 252 kHz on air in 2014-

> RTE Ireland wants RTE to move to 261 kHz which is empty and leave ALG alone on 252 kHz.

To re-align a present TX mast installation, and cut the mast wavelength by 9 kHz IS NOT AN EASY task, that needs a LW TX budget and a lot of skill, despite of ITU request registration procedure in Geneva, consent, approval, authorization, the Signal Noise Ratio also with the frequency neighbours on both sides need 2-3 year time.

All these requirements are NOT available in RT... Ireland. RT... will keep their LW unit running in coming 2-3 years time as service for Irish nationals living in U.K., and local RT... reception in England, Wales and Scotland is not bad during daytime, I guess. Wb (Wolfgang B,schel, ibid.)

I wonder if they also did something to their LW transmitter on 252 kHz in Tipaza. Lately the signal has been outstanding here in Romania. I listen to ChaÓne 3 each evening, it sounds like a local station now. (Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), 2005 UT Aug 28, ibid.)

Some points:

Ouled Fayet: There's also 981 kHz still listed with network 2. Should be checked out. 1422 kHz is now listed as carrying Radio Qur'an 0100-1200 and network 1 1200-1900, and it is a TRAM transmitter, installed in 2002.

Until 1993 also shortwave transmitters were operational at the Ouled Fayet site. About 1000 metres northwest of it, so elsewhere it would not have been considered a separate site at all, was the Tesla-equipped Bouchaoui site, opened in 1971 and closed in 1997. On the Bouchaoui station grounds TDA now runs a large satellite teleport, some remaining antenna towers still remind of the former use of these grounds.

153 and 198 kHz: Here WRTH shows always network 1. I think a separate break-away for one hour is really quite unlikely. Both facilities have identical transmitter buildings and antenna layouts, so have obviously been built in one and the same project. The power level of 2000 kW seems to indicate Thomson-CSF equipment, also the three-mast antennas that remind of the Junglinster/Beidweiler facility. Also remarkable are the beams; the antenna of the Bechar transmitter aims at Tindouf, the Ouargla antenna straight south.

I note some weasel wording of Transradio: "TDA asked TSB to deliver lots of AM stations for the whole country in nearly all power classes from 10 to 1500 kW". So maybe meanwhile not only the Tipaza 1500 kW one, but probably the Bechar and Ouargla tube transmitters have already been replaced, like done at Junglinster/Beidweiler?

Are there clear observations of the Bechar and Ouargla longwave signals being weaker in Europe now, i.e. were they the other way round clearly stronger in the past? I would like to remind of similar speculations of Liblice 639 kHz running low power which turned out to be wrong. In this case we're talking about longwave transmitters on dry desert soil and beaming away from Europe, so I would really not jump to conclusions quickly here.

252 kHz: It is listed as carrying network 3 now exclusively. Radio Algérie Internationale is now a satellite/webcast only station. One has to wonder if they really want to reach listeners in Europe at all. SES 4. cf.
<http://www.lyngsat.com/radiochannels/dz/Radio-Algerie-Internationale.html> is a pretty exotic bird everywhere in Europe I would say.

Btw, I very much doubt that the new transmitter has ever been run on 253 kHz. This is a modularized transmitter that can not be quickly retuned like a tube transmitter. They have churned out a 1 kHz test tone over extended periods, thus I think these reports were the result of staring too much on waterfall diagrams while listening too little.

And in fact the TDA strategy is a mystery to me in regard to their shortwave transmissions as well. What they now lease from TDF and want to operate by themselves in the future again essentially aims at the

neighbouring countries. OK, but what's the goal of the whole shortwave service? Contributing to the Islamization of the region? One can only come to this conclusion, considering the programming that at the same time in Algeria itself is carried only 11 hours a day on a single mediumwave outlet in Algiers area.

Concerning the Irish dream to move the Dublin transmitter to 261 kHz: Do they really believe that the Krauts have definitely given up the idea to launch a digital service on this frequency? I do not have the impression that the German telcom regulator (Bundesnetzagentur) does readily give up such frequency allocations. And in this case for a service that is slated for closure anyway.

For reference:

The quoted Transradio news release:

<http://transradio.de/index.php/de/news/155-tda-ouledfajet-bechar>

The Beidweiler 1500 kW equipment that should be essentially identical to the Tipaza and, maybe, also Bechar and Ouargla set-ups now:

<http://transradio.de/index.php/de/1500kw-lw-beidweiler-luxembourg>

And photos of transmission facilities in Algeria, including all here discussed ones except Bouchaoui:

<http://www.elahcene.co.uk/algeria/index.htm>

(Kai Ludwig, Aug 29, dxldy via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ALGERIA [non]. FRANCE, Upcoming frequency change of Radio TV Algerienne, date unknown:

2000-2100 9655 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg CEAf Arabic Holy Quran ex 9375

2100-2158 9655 ISS 500 kW / 162 deg CEAf Ar/Fr* Nat. Chaine 1, ex 9375

* French program 2100-2108 and approximately 2148-2152. Full schedule is here

<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/upcoming-frequency-changes-of-radio-tv.html>

(DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

** ANGUILLA. 6090, University Network (presumed); 0515, 3-Sep; Rev. Barbi talking about the "woman with the alabaster box". SIO=4+3+3 with RHC English splash from 6100 (which was //6060 & 6000) & buzz-pulse centering about 6080 (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 15345, 8/26 2306, RAE, B. Aires, in Spanish; OMs talk news about Argentina economy and discourse of the Pres. C. Kishner about this theme; comments about world economic crisis; 2312 music,

tango; 2317 ID; 2320 music. Surprise! RAE presents a rare good signal and modulation during this log: 2306-2345 UT; 45444 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo - Brazil, Sony ICF-SW100S receiver. Portable Telescopic antenna, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

11710.65, RAE, 0312-0347, August 29. In English; news about up-coming elections; segment about a non-native speaker language workshop; semi-readable with heavy summertime QRN (static) (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 &CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15345.276 RAE Buenos Aires, 1908 UT on Sept 1st; Italian service at S=9+15dB here in Germany (Wolfgang B.schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

15344.84, Radio Argentina Exterior (presumed); 2134-2143+, 30-Aug; 2M/Spanish discussion plus cool jazz. SI0=333 with occasional blurping QRM; getting the blurper every 15 kHz in the upper end of the band; not noted on other bands.

15344.86, 2017, 3-Sep; W in French into Spanish pop tune. Fair at best; LSB helps with wind-blow QRM (Harold Frogge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. Hola colegas, Hay forma de contactar y confirmar de alguna manera las emisiones de la RAE? envian QSL o eQSL? oyentes y diexistas en grupos DX de Facebook; se preguntan esto. Yo solo logré que el amigo Gabriel Ivan Barrera me confirmara vía eQSL; nunca tuve respuesta directa. Todavía se produce el segmento de DX? Buenos DX (Rafael Rodríguez, ESCUCHANDO A COLOMBIA Y EL MUNDO, Aug 27, condiglista yg via DXLD)

Hola, Rafael: Lo 'ltimo que supe de la relaciÛn entre RAE y QSL, es de una confirmaciÛn del servicio en chino a cargo de ? ? LinaJi Oviedo, como este caso:

<http://jshort.blog.163.com/blog/static/20971528920135291026852/>
referenciado en inglÈs: <http://www.w4uvh.net/dxld1403.txt>
Espero que la informaciÛn te sirva. Saludos! (Claudio Galaz, Chile, ibid.)

Hola! Mandame el informe, Rafael! Tengo autorizacion del Director de RAE, Luís María Barassi, para contestarlo y confirmarlo. Un abrazo! (Arnaldo Slaen, slaen @ ciudad.com.ar condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** ARGENTINA. See WORLD OF HOROLOGY; LOL

** ARMENIA. Aug 25:
Voice of Armenia in Greek to ME 1616 on 4810 Yerevan

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e1sSqP6XTDw&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ARMENIA/AZERBAIJAN. The station operating in range 9675-9681, or on 9677 kHz, so called Aedaletin Sesi Radiosu, Ictimai, V of Talyshistan etc., most likely is Aedaletin S. R. or Voice of Justice (ID which I heard) operating from the Mont. Karabakh. Because it is not clear which radio organisation was registered Ictimai or VOT-n, I think it is fabricated data. I monitored from 17 to 25 August, each day(!) the frequency of 9677 & the program was always in Azeri and seldom with interviews in Russian(!). The sign/on and close/down is varying within 5-10 minutes, but exact broadcast times are: DAILY *0725-1307*. By the way, there is not another station on 9677 which had to be jammed. The music jingles, speakers and program are of type Voice of Justice as was for many years (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria). 73s, (Rumen Pankov, 31 Aug 2015, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

And he makes no mention of this being in the FM mode (gh, ibid.)

** AUSTRALIA. Just to advise that Craig Allen who is also a member of the ARDXC announced at the 50th AGM of our club he will be back on in about 6 months time, on 5055 kHz, Ozzy music radio. He use to relay Vintage FM. 1 kW of power but more likely a lot less, i.e. 500 watts. Now off to Bargo for a DX-pedition! Regards johno, Cheers (John Wright, Aug 31, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** AZERBAIJAN. BBG DENOUNCES SENTENCING OF AZERI JOURNALIST
SEPTEMBER 1, 2015
<http://www.bbg.gov/blog/2015/09/01/bbg-denounces-sentencing-of-azeri-journalist-khadija-ismayilova/>

WASHINGTON - The Broadcasting Board of Governors today expressed outrage and dismay at the sentencing of Khadija Ismayilova, an investigative reporter and contributor to Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty's (RFE/RL) Azerbaijani Service, and called for her immediate release.

On September 1, a court in Azerbaijan sentenced Ismayilova to seven and a half years in prison. Ismayilova was arrested on politically motivated charges on December 5, 2014, and has been held in pretrial detention since.

"We are appalled by today's verdict," said BBG Chairman Jeff Shell. "This sentence is clearly retribution for Khadija exposing government corruption and sends a warning shot to other journalists in the country. By passing down this verdict, the Azeri government has demonstrated to the international community that it disdains press freedom, supports its own impunity and has little regard for human

rights."

Khadija is not the only journalist to be silenced in Azerbaijan. According to the Committee to Protect Journalists, at least seven other journalists have been imprisoned this year. On December 26, 2014, RFE/RL's Baku bureau was raided and closed by agents of the state's "grave crimes investigations committee" in connection with a new law on "foreign agents."

In a statement to the court yesterday, Khadija said that exposing the "corruption and lawlessness" of the Azeri government would not stop with her imprisonment.

"I might be in prison, but the work will continue," she said told the court. "We wrote, informed the community, even if the price for it was arrest and blackmail... I am still happy that I fulfilled my job."

RFE/RL and BBG representatives have repeatedly contacted Azerbaijani officials to protest her case without success.

Khadija's tenacity and quality investigative reporting have won her international accolades. In July the National Press Club honored Khadija with a John Aubuchon Press Freedom Award, and in April she was awarded the 2015 PEN/Barbara Goldsmith Freedom to Write Award. Prior to her arrest, she received a Global Shining Light Award and an International Women's Media Foundation Courage in Journalism Award, among others.

BBG joins RFE/RL, the Committee to Protect Journalists, Reporters Without Borders, Human Rights Watch, and many other officials and organizations in denouncing the Azerbaijani government's imprisonment of Ismayilova and its systematic assault on the freedom of expression. (BBG PR via Hansjoerg Biener, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

Related stories:

<http://www.bbg.gov/blog/2015/09/01/rferlive-the-case-the-verdict-and-media-freedom-in-azerbaijan/>

<http://www.bbg.gov/blog/2015/09/01/in-blow-to-independent-media-azerbaijan-sentences-ismayilova-to-7-12-years/>
(via gh, DXLD)

** BAHRAIN. 9745, Bahrain, not heard here (Zacharias Liangas, 21.8, Fourka, Greece, blogspot via DXLD) So is this active at any time, and if so, when? Is USB only. Never got a good log of it here (gh, DXLD)

** BANGLADESH. Aug 25:

Bangladesh Betar in English to SoAs 1530 on 4750 Shavar
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7FHjQAsbEbI&feature=youtu.be>

Bangladesh Betar in English to SoAs 1535 on 4750 Shavar
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wtgNfqGBVxc&feature=youtu.be>

Bangladesh Betar in English to SoAs 1540 on 4750 Shavar
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TxL5tY9X4Ac&feature=youtu.be>

Bangladesh Betar in English to SoAs 1544 on 4750 Shavar
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aC2CwF7vJrE&feature=youtu.be>

Aug 26:

Bangladesh Betar in English to WeEu 1744 on 13580 Dhaka
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=quK2_Cgxhz8&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

15505, Aug 30 at 1359, JBA carrier, offtimesignal ending at 1359:57.5,
Bangladesh Betar opening Urdu (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BERMUDA. BBC ON AM 1160 IN BERMUDA --- Noticed here with a BBC WS
feed on a recording from 06-20-2013 at 0059 UT:
http://www.quebecdx.com/mp3/bermuda_1160.mp3

That catch was quite seldom as I don't remember having noticed that station on other occasions. This can be due to the fact that I was more dedicated in chasing splits at that time, or is it indeed a rare catch here? (Sylvain Naud, QC, Aug 8, IRCA via DXLD)

Frankly I'm surprised that an FM down there doesn't run BBC. Bermuda's not so big that a decent power FM couldn't adequately cover it as well as ships maybe up to 60 miles / 100 km out (Mark Connelly, WA1ION, South Yarmouth, MA, ibid.)

** BHUTAN. 6035, Aug 22, 2357, 0002 UT, 0=2 Sendebeginn gestern Aug 22 bereits um 2357 UT, allerdings war um 0010 UT bereits wieder Sendeschlufl. Nachdem in den letzten Tagen der Sender immer wieder f,r einige Minuten ausgefallen war hat man ihn gestern dann erst gar nicht mehr neu gestartet. Darum wollte ich ja auf den Sender besonders hinweisen, ich w,rde nicht darauf wetten dass wir ihn noch lange so gut h^ren k^nnen.

6034.955, Aug 27 0002, sendebeginn in Bhutan heute um 0014 UT, zu dieser Zeit eine unglaubliche Signalst%rke von S9+10 ohne jede St^rung auf 6034.955 kHz. Der Sender aus Thimphu ist weiterhin sehr unregelm%ig im Einsatz, heute fr,h (Aug 29) begann man um 0045 UT mit der Sendung. (Christoph Ratzer, Austria, via A-DX via SW Bulletin Aug 30 via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

6034.96, Aug 27 0026, BBS with nice mx, S7 signal. Heavily disturbed

by a broad station on 6030 (Thomas Nilsson, fngelholm, Sweden, SW
Bulletin Aug 30 via DXLD)

[and non-log]. 6034.96, BBS, 1215*, August 31. Better than normal reception; suddenly off; QRM from the usual PBS Yunnan (China). Sept 1 found BBS off the air by first 1153 check; Dave Valko reports BBS "was on at 1103 and 1145 checks (Yunnan better), but gone at 1203," which was checked via remote "Perseus net receiver." So BBS sign off time varies (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BIAFRA [non]. BreakingNews 27/8/15 - CLANDESTINE RADIO BIAFRA NOW BROADCASTING ACROSS MOST AFRICA | Masterweb Reports
<http://nigeriamasterweb.com/Masterweb/breakingnews-27815-clandestine-radio-biafra-now-broadcasting-across-most-africa>

Radio Biafra has launched a satellite television dubbed Biafra Television and a shortwave (SW) radio that will cover most Africa and beyond. According to the clandestine station, the frequency of the broadcast is 15560 kHz in the 19 meter band and hours of broadcast for the time being, 7.00 ñ 9.00 am and 7.00 ñ 9.00 pm Nigerian time. The station still broadcasts on FM, satellite and Internet, even though Nigeria National Broadcasting Commission (NBC) claim they have blocked them on FM and satellite, and would also do the same on Internet. Briefing Journalists last month after a meeting between officials of Ministry of Information and President Buhari, Dr. Shade Yemi-Esan, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Information said: iRight now the signals from radio Biafra have been jammed successfully by NBC. The commission is also working with security agencies to get those that are behind that radio because it is an illegal radio. It is not licensed by anybody to be on the airwaves in Nigeria.i

Nnamdi Kanu, Radio Biafra Director in a statement posted on their website, described their shortwave radio as iNuclear War Headi. It is unbelievable that Radio Biafra that is supposed to have had its wings clipped by NBC is now not only broadcasting in the South East and Niger Delta but now sending its air waves across Nigeria and Africa. Has NBC lost the air wave war with Radio Biafra? The answer will be known with what happens in the next few days. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, Aug 27, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

15560, Aug 27 at 1943, JBA carrier with Doppler flutter during very disturbed propagation conditions, but it must be the new SW service of R. Biafra, clandestine, the one which had been on FM only but really bothering the powers that be in Nigeria. I wonder how much of it, if any, is in English. Tnx to JosÈ Miguel Romero for the story [as above]:

The story is illustrated with a young opposite-gender couple embracing, but not clear who they are. The local times given in UT +1 correspond to UT: 06-08 and 18-20. It's likely that the site is Issoudun, FRANCE, which is on 15560 to Africa immediately prior to both broadcasts (but Deutsche Welle relays had then been scheduled, presumably, as backup/alternatives, surely out of the way for this).

We may hope for better reception to come; WWV reported at 1800 Aug 27:

``Solar-terrestrial indices for 26 August follow.
Solar flux 126 and estimated planetary A-index 30.
The estimated planetary K-index at 1800 UTC on 27 August was 5.
Space weather for the past 24 hours has been moderate.
Geomagnetic storms reaching the G2 level occurred.
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level occurred.
Space weather for the next 24 hours is predicted to be minor.
Geomagnetic storms reaching the G1 level are expected.
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level are likely.''

15560 at 18-19 UT has been HFCC registered as Deutsche Welle, in Hausa via Madagascar! (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

DW in Hausa 1800-1900 is on 15275 via Madagascar, not on 15560 but Radio Biafra will be morning 0600-0800 on 15560, after 0530-0600 on 15560 ISS 500 kW / 135 deg to ECAF Swahili RFI evening 1800-2000 on 15560, after 1700-1800 on 15560 ISS 500 kW / 194 deg to NWAf French DWL
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

I'm hearing Radio Biafra in English now at 1840 UT on 15560 kHz. Fair signal here in Romania (obviously I'm out of their target zone).
(Tudor Vedeanu, (Gura Humorului, Romania), Aug 27, ibid.)

FRANCE, Clandestine Radio Biafra now broadcasting on shortwave from Aug. 27: 1800-2000 on 15560, after DWL French 17-18 on 15560 ISS 500 kW / 194 degrees to NWAf. Open carrier, dead air till 1805, then music and English program, very poor today. I'm out of their target zone. On Aug 28 NO SIGNAL of R. Biafra from 0600 on 15560
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/radio-biafra-is-on-air-on-15560.html>
(Ivo Ivanov, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Most of Africa maybe, but not the southern tip - at least not in the (local African) mornings. France ??? Radio Biafra, 15560 Issoudun ??, Aug 28, 2015 Friday. 0610-0630 Nothing heard, not even a carrier.

Did catch DW IS and sign on about *0627, but unreadable. Coming from Meyerton and targeted at Nigeria (EiBi) this DW transmission will go

right over my head. Jo'burg sunrise 0425 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Drake R8E, Sony ICF2001D. dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, DWL Hausa 0630-0700 on 15560 MEY 250 kW / 330 deg to WeAf
-- 73! (Ivo, Aug 28, ibid.)

Noticia extraída del facebook de Radio Biafra London:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/radiobiafralondon/permalink/872464186201352/>
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RADIO BIAFRA IS NOW ON "AM" on 15560 kHz on 19 meter Band Throughout AFRICAN and Beyond. "FM" IN LAGOS on CHK 98.1 & ENUGU on CHK 102.1 Biafran FM & OWERRI CHK 105.1 Biafran FM === and Yenegoa, Nsukka, Nkwerre, Mbaise, Ideato, Ntigha Ngwa, Etiti, Mbano, Okigwe, Orlu, Nnewi, Ozubulu, Oraifite, Ihiala, Asaba, Ibusa, Okpanam, Ogwuashi-Uku, Isele-Uku, Igbanke, Onitsha-Ugbo, Ubulu-Uku, Agbor, Benin, Aba, Onitsha, Umuahia, Enugu, Awkuzu, Nkpor & Okija, Oba, Ogbaru, Awka, 33, Obosi, Ogidi, Igbariam, Aguleri, Nteje, Abakaliki, Itsekiri Land, Sapela, Isoko Land, Warri and ENVIRONS ON = CHK 102.1 Biafran FM

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Chukwu Okike Abiama has set free is free indeed.
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxldyg via DXLD)

BUT NO SIGNAL this morning Aug 28 from 0600 on 15560, probably
Issoudun -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

R. Biafra has started on SW: 1800-2000 on 15660 [sic] kHz via France.
<http://radiobiafra.co/> (via Mauno Ritola on WRTH Facebook page 28 Aug
via Alan Pennington, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

It's 15560 as reported yesterday to DXLD; supposed to be on same at
06-08 UT, but not heard then (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

I was hoping to compare the Radio Biafra signal with that of DW when
DW signed off from Issoudun. But now DW has gone I am only getting an
open carrier. Nothing audible from Radio Biafra.

France. Deutsche Welle, 15560 Issoudun. Aug 28, 2015 Friday. *1700-
1759*? French, could be news at start. DW jingle at 1705. Readable
occasionally, but mostly poor. Deteriorated as time went on, often
below noise level. OK for DX'ing but no entertainment value. Could
hardly tell when it signed off. Jo'burg sunset 1554.

France??? Radio Biafra, 15560 Issoudun?? Aug 28, 2015 Friday. 1800-
1810. Nothing heard, but there is a carrier on the frequency. Jo'burg
sunset 1554 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Drake R8E, Sony ICF2001D.
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15560, Aug 28 circa 1805, no signal here from R. Biafra (nor on 15660
as misreported elsewhere), but others further east are hearing it
poorly on 18-20 UT schedule. Based on reception quality, Bill Bingham
in RSA suspects the site is not Issoudun, FRANCE as previously
supposed. Also, it's off-frequency, not likely for TDF/MBR, as noted
by Rodney Johnson, NV via the UTwente remote SDR: ``Hearing English
(heavy African accent) right now (~1945) on 15560.45``. Bill Bingham
says the alleged 06-08 broadcast has not been confirmed on 15560, but
instead a DW relay via South Africa is still there from 0627 (Glenn
Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Biafra there at later check: France?? Radio Biafra 15560
Issoudun ?? Aug 28, 2015 Friday. 1850-1905. English, OM with African
accent apologising for something, stressing it is a live broadcast.

Sounded like a mention of Biafra at 1854. Says also on satellite and online. ID at 1855 iRadio Biafra. Prayer at 1900 then several mentions of iBiafra. Reception much better than DW from Issoudun an hour ago, and DW was getting worse at sign off. Could that mean Radio Biafra isn't coming from Issoudun? Jo'burg sunset 1554 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Drake R8E, Sony ICF2001D. dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Biafra confirmed here on 15560 kHz at 1905 tune-in with talk in English about Biafra - very weak on a clear channel. 73s (Dave Kenny, Caversham Berks, AOR7030 + 25m longwire, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

This is how it sounds here in Romania, using a 5m wire as an antenna:
<http://youtu.be/q0Bp78HBlio>
(Tudor Vedeanu, dxldyg via DXLD)

Seems to be in English, but really hard to understand. Not helped by heavy flutter (gh, DXLD)

Radio Biafra in English on 15560 kHz, medium signal, without fading now at 1930 UT (Christian Ghibaudo, Nice, France, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Hearing English (heavy African accent) right now (~1945) on 15560.45 from remote SDR <http://websdr.ewi.utwente.nl:8901/> (Netherlands)
Recording attached (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

I recorded the signals on 15560 kHz from our rented vacation house here on Grassy Key (Marathon), Florida, from about 1756 UT to past 2000 using a Tecsun PL-880 receiver fed by a Tecsun AN-03L 7-metre wire antenna near ground level down near the water's edge (Gulf of Mexico side). Unfortunately, almost continuous QRN from near-by thunderstorms disturbed reception.

At 1756, the frequency was occupied by DW in French from Issoudun with a reasonable signal clearly understood through the static. It went off at 1759. A short while later, a weak open carrier appeared on the frequency. I had not calibrated the Tecsun's frequency readout so didn't make an accurate frequency measurement.

No audio was detected on the recording until about 1848:32, when music could be heard. This was part of Sibelius' Finlandia followed by the Biafran national anthem, "Land of the Rising Sun," whose tune apparently is based on Finlandia. It was very difficult to make out any of the speech which followed. The signal was much weaker than that of DW previously on the frequency and was mostly buried in the static crashes. The odd English word could be made out.

Reception became a bit better after about 1930 when whole English sentences could be understood from time to time. The theme of the presentation was that the Nigerian government was oppressing the Biafran people in various ways. At 1957, the presenter said "The time is exactly four minutes to nine" -- just one minute off from Nigerian time (UTC + 1 hour). Then he said something about a satellite dish. Shortly after, at 1958, the transmitter left the air.

Although signal strength improved slightly by the end of the broadcast, it was still weaker than NHK in Japanese via Issoudun on 15130 kHz after 2000 and VOA in English from Botswana on 15580 kHz. I'll try receiving Radio Biafra from New Brunswick once I return home. (Richard Langley, Aug 28, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

As yesterday (Aug 28), no morning transmission from Radio Biafra. South Africa. Deutsche Welle, 15560 Meyerton. Aug 29, 2015 Saturday. 0615-0635 Carrier on at 0625, with what sounded like very faint Babcock filler music. DW i/s at 0629, followed by talk. Very poor, worse than yesterday, can't even make out the language. But I do suspect I'm in the skip zone for a transmission from Meyerton to West Africa. Jo'burg sunrise 0424.

France??? Radio Biafra 15560 Issoudun??? Aug 29, 2015 Saturday. 0615-0635 Once again, nothing heard. Not even a carrier. Jo'burg sunrise 0424 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Drake R8E, Sony ICF2001D. dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

> BUT NO SIGNAL this morning Aug. 28 from 0600 on 15560

Apparently no such morning slot is scheduled at present. Accessing the Radio Biafra websites autolaunches recorded programmes, and herein they mention their "crystal clear" shortwave outlet only "for two hours from 7 PM", i.e. the 1800-2000 slot already confirmed by monitoring. They also talked about planning to expand it although it's expensive.

Btw, "clandestine" appears to be an appropriate category for this operation. Much of what can be heard is merely aggressive shouting. It's all in English, almost exclusively the infamous BSE ("Bad Simple English"). A text piece about the relaunch of a shortwave service, written a bit more elegantly:
http://radiobiafra.co/index.php?option=com_k2&view=item&id=111457
(Kai Ludwig, Aug 29, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Once again Radio Biafra reception is much better than DW which has just signed off from Issoudun. Would Issoudun cut their carrier at 1759 if they were going to immediately transmit another program on the

same frequency to the same target - Africa?

France. Deutsche Welle, 15560 Issoudun. Aug 29, 2015 Saturday. 1735-1759* French. ID at 1743 iDeutsche Welle. iAu revoir at 1757 then Afro song, off-air at 1759, carrier cut immediately. Fair, better than last night (Aug 28), mostly readable. Jo'burg sunset 1554.

France??? Radio Biafra 15560 Issoudun??? Aug 29, 2015 Saturday. *1800-1815 Carrier on at *1800, African OM in English with criticism of the Nigerian administration. At 1806 someone called Gabriel talking about the Ibos. Another OM mentioned iBiafra at 1807. Afro song at 1809. As last night (Aug 28) much better reception than DW from Issoudun just signed off. Jo'burg sunset 1554 (Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Drake R8E, Sony ICF2001D. dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It was a good reception here in New Jersey yesterday, although the signal was getting weaker after 1830 UT. Video clip has been posted on my blog, including DW signed-off followed by sign-on of R. Biafra, for comparison.

<https://shortwaverecording.wordpress.com/>
73's (SakaÈ Obara, NJ, USA, Aug 30, dxldyg via DXLD)

- excellent reception. Thanks for the sound clip, but your URL MUST start with <https://> !

Kind Regards, (Erik K-ie, Holte/Copenhagen, ibid.)

Also with another clip claiming they are broadcasting all over the world, Malaysia, etc. (gh, DXLD)

15560, Sept 1 at 1807, another attempt to hear the new clandestine Radio Biafra, but it's only a JBA carrier on the NRD-545; unlike Vatican direct in Portuguese on 15570, VOA Amharic from Woofferton on 15630, both fairly good; but NO sign of VOA English via Botswana on 15580! So R. Biafra continues to unseem out of a western Europe site such as Issoudun, France. Other obvious possible sites for R. Biafra would be Madagascar or South Africa, but should provide better signals onward to here. Instead it could be a ME site such as UAE which can reach central Africa well from the other side, but not much our way (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, My observations on this station. Biafra - (NON) 15560, Radio Biafra via (?) Aug 30. 1915 to 1958 s/off. Noted at 1911 with a loop tape of African dance music by a group in vernaculars. The lyrics were somewhat humorous as it was oha, oha, oha, repeated for the chorus line. The signal dropped off at 1921 and then gradually improved as the terminator moved over Europe heading westward. This type of programming continued to 1958 sign-off, without any identification or any announcements during this time frame. I suspect that the

transmitter is Issoudun based on how the signal dropped off, then gradually improved as the Transmitter was located in darkness.

15560, Radio Biafra via Issoudun, Sept 1, 15. Checked at 1800 and just a weak carrier was noted with no programming that was recognizable. The Transmitter was still in full daylight. Re-checked at 1910 and the signal improved to a decent level, with a speech in vernaculars, with English phrases. Again the same propagation conditions happen; the signal dropped off and then came back with a much strong reception. There was a speech aired by the station on inauguration of this new service. Managed to coach this English at 1932 as:

"Thank you very much ... details of our special opening ...repeated today ...our time for our station, Radio Biafra to be on the air..." By 1948 reception was quite good, and followed 'Hello, and what is your question? The question was asked, followed with a response from the announcer. 1953 another good indication of this station as 'You are listening to Radio Biafra... for information, material ...and broadcasting on many, many hours... we want the world to know' But did not give a website and further indication for contact information. The transmission was cut at 1958 which to me, is an indication of the style TDF uses for their broadcasters. I wonder if this station has any affirmation with Radio Biafra International which was heard on 12125 (via Samara Russia - VERIFIED) and via WHRI relay (VERIFIED)??? (Edward Kusalik, Daysland, Alberta, Canada, Heard on my trusty old Drake R8A and the reliable Inverted 19 meter quarter-wavelength /60 meter 3/4 wavelength dipole, with 1:1 Home brew Balun, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15560, NO ID, øRadio Biafra?, 1945-1951, escuchada el 31 de agosto de 2015 en inglés y en idioma africano sin identificar, locutor en conversación con oyentes; se aprecia acento africano, corta conversación con oyente en idioma africano sin identificar, SINPO 24222 (José Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), España, dxldyg via DXLD)

Now back in New Brunswick, I recorded the signals on 15560 kHz unattended from about 1653 until past 2000 UT today, 2 September 2015, using a Tecsun PL-880 receiver fed by a Tecsun AN-03L 7-metre wire antenna outdoors near ground level -- the same setup I used in Florida last week. DW in Amharic from Dhabbya followed by French from Issoudun were heard well. The French broadcast ended at about 1759.

I couldn't tell from the recording whether the Issoudun transmitter continued on the air or if a new transmitter came on the frequency; the open carrier seemed to be continuous. In any case, no audible heterodyne was heard. But, except for some short noise bursts, no audio was heard again on the frequency until 1805:02, when a piano + violin + orchestra light music piece began and which was repeated

several times until 1821:50. (Could we possibly use that particular piece to identify the transmitter if it has been used before for filler?)

After that, there was only an open carrier. The signal was reasonably strong -- at least as strong as the preceding DW French transmission from Issoudun. With the 5 kHz RF filter selected on the Tecsun, there was some splash from the strong signal from Vatican Radio on 15570 kHz. It was a bit hard to tell from the recording but it appears the 15560 kHz carrier went off the air a couple of seconds after 1958.

Afterwards, I tuned around the 19-m band and there were very good signals from Vatican Radio, VOA, and NHK, a fair signal from Argentina on 15345 kHz, distorted signals from Radio Cairo (as usual), and an open carrier from REE (I checked REE on 17715 and 17850 kHz and they also had open carriers. This was around 2010 UT). I also checked 15476 kHz (LRA36 Radio Nacional Arcangel San Gabriel) for a hint of a carrier, but nothing was heard. Will try again for Radio Biafra on the weekend (Richard Langley, UT Sept 3, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4409.76, Aug 29 at 0123, JBA carrier, presumably R. Eco, Reyes, listed 500 watts on 4409. Nothing around 4451, but algo around 4699, the other WOOB Bolivians (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 5952.47, Aug 29 at 0109, Radio Pio Doce, Siglo Veinte (XII/XX), measured here at 0109 Aug 29, very poor S 7-8 peaks in talk (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Was listening a little later than you. Heard 5952.45, Radio Pio Doce with nice sign off format of the usual whistling iColonel Bogey Marchí and ID, which cut off before the usual chimes; 0228*. Audio attached. Without the summertime QRN (static) would have had very respectable reception (Ron Howard, California, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5952, 29/8 2315 UT. ID cantado: ``Pío Doce, Pío Doce`` de manera folklórica y en castellano. Luego, se pasa a una sección musical con huaynos andinos de grupos peruanos, especialmente de ``Los fantásticos del folklore`` y saludos en quechua recordando la festividad religiosa de ``Santa Rosa de Lima``. SINPO: 54454 con leve QRM de AWR, vía WRMI, USA [5050 at 181 degrees] (Claudio Galaz Toledo, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo, m-s 20 metros de antena de tierra y balón de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

5952.40, R. PIO XII, 1/9 0014 UT. Informaciones en idioma aimara acerca de unos municipios de Oruro. Desde las 0017, se habla de una cadena nacional presentada por el presidente Evo Morales sobre el nombramiento del nuevo Ministro de Desarrollo Rural y Tierras, César

Cocarico. SINPO: 45444 (Claudio Galaz, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo, m-s 20 metros de antena de tierra y bal'n de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

On the DX-160 I assume he can't measure to two decimal places but is relying on other reports of it; however, lately I found it a bit higher (gh, DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 6025. RED PATRIA NUEVA, 27/8 2313 UT. Noticiero iBolivia informa con descripciÛn de acontecimientos de las municipalidades del departamento de Pando. SINPO: 45343 con mucho ruido ambiental (Claudio Galaz Toledo, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo, m-s 20 metros de antena de tierra y bal'n de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** BOLIVIA [and non]. 6135.230, BRAZIL, probably R·dio Aparecida, S=7 at 0911. 6134.825, BOLIVIA, probably Radio Satan [sic] Cruz (Wolfgang B·schel, some North American logs, Sept 1 at 0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY / NJ / NY / MA remote SDR's, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA [and non]. 6155.05, Sept 1 at 0048, talk in Quechua? And het from a 6155.00 station, as the upper one's carrier is slightly unstable. Presumed R. Fides, which is usually closer to 6155.10. The lower one is presumably AIR Aligarh in Urdu from 0015 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4885.0, 0802-0825 24/8, R. Club do Par·, Belém PA. Talks. Fade/out. 15321 (Carlos GonÁlves, SW coast of Portugal, JRC NRD-545DSP & DRAKE R8-E; Advanced ReceiverResearch amp.; 20 m T2FD, 45 m inv. V, 30 m 180J/0J mini-Bev., 80 m 300J/120J Bev., 200 m 270J/90J Bev., 270 m 145J/325J Bev., 300 m 225J/45J Bev., raised, 4 loop- K9AY; via Play-DX Electronic 31 August via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4885, R·dio Clube do Par·, Belém, at 0810, on 25 Aug. A male announcer is giving a long talk. At 0814 there was a station ID given by a male speaker with music and female singers followed by more talk. Fair (John Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1a, RF Space-SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X w/ Clear Mod, Tecsun PL-660, GAP-Hear It In Line Module, Timewave ANC-4, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, PARS-SWL Sloper End Fed x 2, NASWA Flashesheet via DXLD)

4885.02, Aug 27 0026, R Clube do Par·, still a little weaker than Acreana a few Hz further up. (TN) [Like 6 Hz? another date:]

4885.026, Aug 26 2259, R Difusora Acreana with a nice ID at 2259. Then into football at 2300. R Clube do Para extremely weak in the background at this time. Acreana only noted this day (Thomas Nilsson, fngelholm, Sweden, SW Bulletin Aug 30 via DXLD)

4885, Aug 27 at 0211, very poor carrier with talk. It's been weeks since either Brazilian has been detected {by me}, so one of them is evidently back, probably not R. Clube do Par., which when on had a much better signal than this. Soon confirmed by Daniel Wyllyans, Mato Grosso, on HCDX that R. Dif. Acreana celebrated its 71st anniversary on Aug 25 by reactivating their TB transmitter on 4885, first reported by DFS in Japan with

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=m-Hr5bi1Fdg>

as of Aug 26 at 1053. Daniel was hearing it ``now'', 0100-0129 on 26 Aug, presumably meaning UT 27 Aug. But he says there was QRM from Par.. Full report in Portuguese, with photos, video:

<http://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com.br/2015/08/radio-difusora-acreana-reativado-em.html>

So, are they going to keep it on the air this time?

(Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4885 kHz, Rádio Difusora Acreana, Rio Branco, Acre, Brazil, música de comercial do CafÈ Cortez de Rio Branco / depois OM anuncia mais musicas sertanejas regional; maioria das musicas com sotaque nortista BR ou Acreano. 2311 UT, dia 28/08, sinpo 35333. Nota: Radio Clube off, e desculpe a filmagem analogica; foi de Tablet.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j5I4JI9jhrg>

RX: Tecsun S 2000 Antenna: Long wire 400 Meters Horizontal (Daniel Wyllyans, Nova Xavantina MT, Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

Re 4885 BRAZIL, - checking the web stream; 4885, Radio Clube do Para, Belém PA, was the only Brazilian station in the 60 m-band noted at the time in the European morning on 26 July. The station can be easily verified by checking the web stream at
[<www.radioclubedopara.com.br/radio/index.html>](http://www.radioclubedopara.com.br/radio/index.html)
(Prof. Dr. Hansjoerg Biener-D, ntt via wwdx BC-DX TopNews July 26/27, via DXLD)

Not easily if your DX tuning and internet access are mutually exclusive (gh, DXLD)

Glen[n], I've reported this station with fair copy on 25 Aug, 18 Aug, 7 Aug, and 22 Jul per NASWA Flash sheet logs based on my SW weekly logs. I did get a solid ID on 25 Aug. I'm just wondering why you are saying it hasn't been reported for several weeks? I have been reporting the station as active. Thanks in advance (John Cooper, PA, Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

John, I haven't read the latest FS yet or recent ones to see what times you heard it, but what I originally said ``hasn't been detected`` meant, detected by me. I bandscan often around 01-02 UT, sometimes later, and usually after 05, when Par. used to be an all-

night regular on 4885. Now I do have doubts about which one I was getting this time (Glenn to John, via DXLD)

Hi Glen[n], Thanks for the reply. I matched the station ID with a recording Dave V. sent me earlier this year and it appeared to be the same for the 25th of Aug after I heard the station. I didn't record it myself perhaps I should start doing that for accuracy sake in the future. It has been a fairly consistent catch each week except for three weeks ago when I didn't do a weekly log. The signal was strong and it did come in clearly at this QTH.

Still, you may have heard what you did as conditions were nasty after the 25th for most DXing. I know it was not coming in or JBA after that date for my band scanning at various times. Thanks for the clarification on your terminology. 73 (John c., ibid.)

John, You still haven't mentioned what times you heard it. Finally I see in the latest FS it was 0814. Were all your previous logs in that area? Maybe they sign on around 0800, when I am never monitoring (Glenn to John, via DXLD)

Glen[n], Hi, sorry I didn't put the times in. Here you go:

4885 -	18 Aug,	0111 UT	Poor
4884.9 -	07 Aug,	0830 UT	Fair
4884.9 -	22 Jul,	0848 UT	Fair
4884.9 -	14 Jul,	0902 UT	Fair
4885 -	09 Jul,	0948 UT	Good

As you can see most were early morning except for 18 Aug, and newest one. It has been a fairly consistent catch with usually good audio capture here (John c., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4885.005, not R·dio Clube do Par· 690 kHz, not R·dio Maria Anapolis GO, but real \\ to livestream R·dio Dif. Acreana, Rio Branco, AC, <http://www.difusora.acre.gov.br/> (Wolfgang B·schel, some North American logs, Sept 1 at 0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY / NJ / NY / MA remote SDR's, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. About Radio Novo Tempo 4895 kHz --- A Radio Novo Tempo de Campo Grande, Mato Grosso do Sul, 4895 kHz, poder· retornar ao ar nas proximas semanas. O transmissor ser· avaliado por tecnicos. Uma vez que em anos de decaidas do radio, esse ano no Brasil parece estar investindo pesado em ondas tropicais.

Talvez tambÈm seja pelo fato de o AM migrar para FM, nos prÙximos anos. Mas eles talvez eu presumo que eles queiram manter somente FM e Onda Tropical para atingir a regi,,o e os estados da Amazonia legal.

Vale lembrar que o site transmitter ondas tropicais 4895 kHz est. seminovo como pode ver no mapa do google no link [Street view Sept 2011]:

https://www.google.com/maps/@-20.5615399,-54.6361701,3a,90y,352.89h,97.29t/data=!3m6!1e1!3m4!1stXgIs6RPxn7Vla9DTng9tA!2e0!7i13312!8i6656?hl=enhttps%3A%2F%2Fwww.google.com%2Fmaps%2F%40-20.5613432%2C-54.6353835%2C3a%2C75y%2C294.3h%2C89t%2Fdata%3D%213m6%211e1%213m4%211s9XKj_GJBLJTK02m6P17sVg%212e0%217i13312%218i6656%3Fh1%3Den

Comentarios direto com eles e pedidos de retorno podem ser enviados a:
radio@novotempo.com DW (Daniel Wylyans, August 31, Hard-Core-DX
mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 5035.0, 2137-2148, 20/8, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP,
Programa Cantinho Sertanejo. QRM de R. EducaÃ„o Rural, 34331

5035.0, 2139-2152, 20/8, R. EducaÃ„o Rural, Coari AM, Rlgs. px, songs.
QRM de R. Aparecida, 35342 (Carlos GonÃ‡alves, SW coast of Portugal,
JRC NRD-545DSP & DRAKE R8-E; Advanced ReceiverResearch amp.; 20 m
T2FD, 45 m inv. V, 30 m 180f/0f mini-Bev., 80 m 300f/120f Bev., 200 m
270f/, 90f Bev., 270 m 145f/325f Bev., 300 m 225f/45f Bev., raised, 4
loop-K9AY, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 5939.672, R-dio Voz Missionaria, Cambori', Port at 0940 UT,
S=6-7 poor, nice light music/songs program (Wolfgang B-schel, some
North American logs, Sept 1 at 0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY / NJ /
NY / MA remote SDR's, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 6010.075, Aug 17 2356, R InconfidÃ³ncia noted some Hz above
their normal split. On Aug 25 seemed to be off (Thomas Nilsson,
fngelholm, Sweden, SW Bulletin Aug 30 via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 6059.781, Super R-dio Deus Ã© Amor, Curitiba, PR, endless
PortBras prayer (Wolfgang B-schel, some North American logs, Sept 1 at
0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY / NJ / NY / MA remote SDR's, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 6135.230, probably R-dio Aparecida, S=7 at 0911.
6134.825, BOLIVIA, probably Radio Satan [sic] Cruz (Wolfgang B-schel,
some North American logs, Sept 1 at 0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY /
NJ / NY / MA remote SDR's, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 6159.945, Aug 27, 2138, The carrier of a
tentative R Boa Vontade is visible on the low side of a weak CKZN on
6159.951 at this time (Thomas Nilsson, fngelholm, Sweden, SW Bulletin
Aug 30 via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Some logs of Sept 2nd, at 0545-0650 UT slot:

9645.406, R·dio Bandeirantes at 0550 UT, S=5-6 poor signal in NJ.

9664.694, R·dio Voz Missionaria, phone-in service, S=7 fair signal.

9724.729, RB2 poor tiny signal S=4-5, at 0601 UT nice music program.

11764.666, SRDA endless BrasPort sermon, S=7 fair signal,
at 0610 UT, 'Deus, Deus, Deus...'

11780.097, RNB Brasilia, S=9+10dB nice music channel, Brazilian pop
music, accordion orchestra group, at 0612 UT. NO ACCOMPANIED SPURIOUS
SCRATCHING SIGNALS TODAY!

11815.025, R·dio Brasil Central, pop music, poor S=4-5 signal this UT
morning, just above threshold signal level at 0614 UT.

11855.461471, R·dio Aparecida - unstable poor S=6 signal, signal
varying wandered some 5-10 Hertz distance up and down.

9819.446, R 9 de Julho, poor and tiny, talk program on threshold
signal level.

9628, ute RTTY signal strong of S=8-9 level, hit heavily adjacent
R·dio Aparecida Brazil on 9629.952 kHz, terrible audio mixture
happened

9565.077, SRDA, poor to threshold level of S=3-4, endless BrasPort
sermon at 0650 UT on Sept 2 (Wolfgang B·schel, some logs of Sept 2nd,
at 0545-0650 UT slot, in NJ-US east coast, - and Edmonton remote SDR
in Canada, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11780.1, Aug 27 at 0231, RNA has wandered off frequency
again, BUT, no spurs heard in the usual spots.

11780.08, Aug 31 at 0118, RNA with VG signal at S9+25, and guess what,
no spurs audible; but the fundamental is off-frequency (Glenn Hauser,
OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11815, Aug 29 at 0117, R. Brasil Central with music, just
S3 but no spurs blocking it --- until a trace of some from the lower
side circa 11812 out of 11780 RNA, of course.

11815, Sept 2 at 0547, R. Brasil Central, poor with music, and no spur
crackle from 11780 for a change; however, splatter around 11780 is
worse up to 20 kHz above and below. Further chex into Sept 3 have not
found the 11710/11745/11815 spurs; holding breath hoping they have
been permanently erased, but not counting on it (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11855+, Sept 2 at 0549, R. Aparecida, poor with devotional
(what else?) in Brazuguese, better than // 9630v (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. Aug 30: SPL announcement before Radio Spaceshuttle in
Finnish to SoAf 1900 on 13600 Secretbrod

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IBsAH8Y-V_Q&feature=youtu.be

SPL relay Radio Spaceshuttle in Finnish to SoAf 1902 on 13600
Secretbrod
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qg2ma0h2uqY&feature=youtu.be>

SPL relay Radio Spaceshuttle in Finnish to SoAf 1918 on 13600
Secretbrod
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cEj2JjWmqSI&feature=youtu.be>

SPL relay Radio Spaceshuttle in Finnish to SoAf 1939 on 13600
Secretbrod
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YPyr3678Uk0&feature=youtu.be>

SPL relay Radio Spaceshuttle in Finnish to SoAf 1958 on 13600
Secretbrod
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7DUWvK1IMTw&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

** BULGARIA [non]. Radio Bulgaria in German via Kall from today Aug 27
1530-1600 on 7310, co-ch PBS Xinjiang Chinese
1630-1700 on 6005, co-ch VOIRI IRIB in Pashto
1930-2000 on 3985, videos will be added tomorrow
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30
m. long wire, Aug 27 dxldyg via DXLD)

GERMANY, Radio Bulgaria now broadcasting on shortwave via Kall from
Aug. 27, in German:

1530-1600 7310 KLL 001 kW / non-dir CeEu, co-ch PBS Xinjiang Chinese
1630-1700 6005 KLL 001 kW / non-dir CeEu, co-ch VOIRI IRIB in Pashto
1930-2000 3985 KLL 001 kW / non-dir CeEu, co-ch Echo of Hope Korean:
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/radio-bulgaria-now-broadcasting-on.html>
(Ivo Ivanov, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. Jon Pearkins of Edmonton AB passes along the following from
Dan Sysi July 2015 Canadian Radio News, Email dated 8-14-15:

CBXQ-540 Ucluelet BC is arguably the most important CBC 40 watt LPRT
to DXers, despite years of neglect and a diminishing signal: the long
wire antenna is visibly sagging these days. The CBC has just applied
to move CBXQ to FM, so the upcoming DX Season may be your last chance.

Personal Notes: In October 1979, they were the strongest non-local
signal in Coos Bay, Oregon at Noon; in Vancouver in the late 1960s,
with CBK off the air, they were, by far, the strongest LPRT; even
their Open Carrier was easily discernible. (Ye-ed note: Got them a
time or two in San Jose, CA back in 1980is when I lived there so they
do get out well). (Bill Hale, IRCA DX Monitor Sept 5 via DXLD)

** CANADA. I heard an announcement on station AM 740 (in Toronto) today [Fri Aug 28] that they will be broadcasting on 96.7 FM as of Monday. This will be run in parallel to their AM operation.

The reason given for this was interference. The further explanation is that parts of downtown Toronto are unable to get clear reception of their AM signal. They gave the street names that form the boundaries of the area of the city they will be targeting with the new FM broadcast. I don't remember the names.

I don't know what, if any, DX opportunities may exist on 96.7 FM but you might want to check things out before the new transmitter starts up. If I was to guess when it might go on the air, I'd guess 7:40 AM. That is when the station originally began full time broadcasting on 740 kHz. -- Cheers! (Kevin Cozens, Ont., Aug 28, ODXA yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

Was this not the same reason that Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth of Canada quit broadcasting on 740 kilocycles many years ago --- that coverage in downtown Toronto was no good?? History repeats itself..!!?! While we here in the great South West can hear (more or less) AM 740, I don't think we'll be picking up the 84 watt E.R.P. signal of 96.7 megacycles any time soon (Bill Leal, Windsor, ibid.)

I never heard why the CBC gave up the AM frequency. I just know they moved to FM. If the signal can't be heard properly locally is this a sign there are too many tall buildings in downtown Toronto? I don't think the boundaries stated were for that large an area. Announcement didn't indicate transmitter power level but I wouldn't be surprised if it was a lower power transmitter being used -- Cheers! (Kevin, ibid.)

Wikipedia indicates a 22.4-watt signal with 82 watt erp. Whatever the case, they're just plugging a hole in the downtown core. We've got a similar situation in Windsor with Her Majesty's French service. The Queen put up a FM transmitter a couple of hundred feet in the air at the CBC station in downtown Windsor and has numerous other French and English transmitters in the area. No big 100 kW FM channel available. Much of them filled with Detroit and Toledo Ohio stations. The result is a plethora of much smaller signals in the area. We definitely won't be hearing the signal on 96.7 as we have a somewhat larger transmitter here in Windsor (well, out near the mega city of Cottam) blasting away some music to snore by 24/7. C'est la vie (Bill Leal, VE3ES, ibid.)

I'm up in Markham and I hear a weak station (slightly noisy reception and FM capture light flickers) on the frequency. I listened for a while last night and caught an ID of CHYM. Research says that station is located in Kitchener, ON. Not sure what this might mean for possible reception of Zoomer Radio when they start using the same

frequency. -- Cheers! (Kevin Cozens, 1700 UT Aug 29, ibid.)

[and non]. I think it is the Wiki site that talks about the frequency was allocated to Zoomer Radio on the condition that they had to accept interference from a station at Humber College(?) on the next channel and a big station in Kitchener and there was reference to another station somewhere as well. From what I read, the target was a specific area in downtown Toronto which is a dead zone for the 740 frequency. As I recall, years ago the exact same issues were behind the move of the CBC from 740 to the FM frequency in Toronto. Then, I believe, since 740 was still a frequency allocated to Toronto, it was offered up to whoever could utilize it and Zoomer Radio (or whoever owned it at the time) ended up on the frequency.

Windsor went through something similar when the CBC moved from 1550 kHz to FM at 97.5. Actually, 97.5, 91.9 and a couple of other FM signals in the Chatham and Sarnia area to make up for the lost coverage that 1550's 10 kW signal had. In other words, 4 FM frequencies to make up for 1 AM transmitter. BUT, after 1550 went silent for awhile, the CBC decided to move the 540 French network to 1550 due to physical issues with the 540 towers. The 540 site has been sold, the towers came down and most likely a new subdivision is in the offing.

The nested frequency thing is used in Chatham. CFCO 630 has long been an AM favourite here in the great southwest. But they also have a low power FM, 92.9 I think, in downtown Chatham. I'm waiting to hear the same thing happen with CKLW in Windsor. With the CBC English having left 1550, CKLW is the only English language station on AM locally. The difference in signal quality between 800 (CKLW) and 97.5 (CBEW) is night and day.

[and non] WWJ Newsradio in Detroit, 950 with a 50 kW transmitter is also making the same noises about moving to FM. They are #1 in the Detroit market but they switch at night to a different pattern that doesn't necessarily cover what they want; so the hunt for FM is on. Perhaps they'll go after a LPFM since there are no more high power allocations on FM locally. But then again, CBS which owns WWJ has a few FM'ers in Detroit, so you never know!!!

Oh, and while 740's signal in Windsor ain't the best, it has let me relive the golden era of The Big 8 CKLW. One of the DJs on 740, Bill Gable was known as "Brother Bill Gable" back in the 70s on CKLW. Don't know if he's still on 740 but for a while I could live in the past (Bill Leal, ibid.)

Okay, I figured I better way in with my comments. Zoomer Radio is Number #1 for me, as I listen via their Internet / website. Whether it

is the afternoon drive or listen to the oldies in the evening it is one of better stations for me! There are songs they have played that for me, haven't heard in years. So fellas, if you can't get one way there is always another way to get them.

The other oldies station, 1440, CKJR, Wetaskiwin has the same repetitive music that they play in a continuous loop, with only a live speaker during the morning and for the afternoon to 6:00 PM when they switch to ethnic programing (Punjab) Then from 10:00 to 6:00 AM there is the usual programmed ID's (LOOP) and music with no live announcements.

Ah, the BIG 8 --- those where the days of hot cars, rock 'n' roll, and the A&W

CFCO has changed their format when I was in Chatham this past June; too bad. Their oldies was a nice change for me. I 'really' don't like the twang - twang C&W music. Oops, maybe there is some die-heart C&W listeners out there --- and of course CFCW has moved to 840 from 790 with C&W. As their audience improved, I don't know, but I hope to talk to the station manager and see if and [sic] any feedback on their signal. Also they have gotten any reception reports for their move to 840. The only FM'er (in Camrose) is CAM-FM [sic] 98.1, has modern rock'n'roll of the 80'90's and the present. Of course, being so close to Edmonton, even out here in Daysland, FM'ers are heard quite well. Enough said (Edward Kuslik, Alberta, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 2598-SSB, Aug 31 at 0520 UT, too weak talk to copy, but it's a Canadian CG frequency for N/L marine weather. Per Bill Hepburn's schedule at this hour,
<http://www.dxinfocentre.com/mb.htm>
it's the one QC station in this group, CJH-22, Natashquan (RiviÈre au Renard), which is on the coast ouest of Terre-Neuve, starting at 0437 --- that's quite a while ago, but no further broadcasts among the seven stations until Placentia at 0737 UT.

I was also looking for the 2600-AM carrier, probable MW harmonic, but not heard now, apparently needing daytime facility circa sunset.

2748.95-USB, Sept 2 at 0140, YL robot with marine weather in English, i.e. scheduled at this time, VAR-3 Fundy NS, i.e. Yarmouth just started (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6030, Calgary - CFVP relaying CKMX (AM 1060), (presumed), 1515, August 27. Thanks very much to the tip from Walter Salmani, was able to hear underneath CNR1, a comedian in English, with laughing; poor, but certainly them (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6070, CFRX Toronto (Mississauga transmitter) ON; 2032-2042+, 29-Aug, Richard Crouse Show with discussion on slasher films; guest said that the baddies in Canadian slasher films "are more human" than those in U.S. slasher films. (Are Canadian slasher films about hockey? "Nightmare on Broad Street") 2041 break, "In-depth radio, news-talk 10-10". SIO=354- fady; //1010 CFRB, SIO=353 (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NEW CONFIRMATION RECEIVED: CFRX SHORTWAVE STATION - Toronto, Canada (1 Kw, Pwr) - English service - Listened in Morrinhos, CE, Brazil, by DX-Man JosÈ Maranh,o, in August 04, 2015; between 0300-0400 UT, on the frequency 6070, with a SINPO: 25222 - Equipment utilized: Radio receiver Tecsun PL 660 and Antenna Long wire (12, 5 meters) - Received only QSL Card via postal mail, in 22 days after send RR by email.- V/S: Mr. Steve Canney (A good man) - QTH: cfrx@ymail.com (JosÈ Maranh,o, DX SOCIETY (The world of radio) [sic] <http://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com.br/2015/08/qsl-cfrx-shortwave-station-toronto.html> (via Daniel Wylyans, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** CANADA. Is CKZU on the air? I'm thinking that CKZU has been off the air for at least a week. At first, I thought that propagation was so bad that I didn't hear them, but as the days go by, still nothing. Normally during the day, I get them very strong via ground wave. Nothing again for a while. Tonight at 0357, for example, I'm measuring a carrier on 6159.976. Barely there, and not strong enough to hear any audio. I suspect this is CKZN. I know that Colin Newell wondered the same a few weeks back, but I was sure I was still hearing them then. Any ideas? (Walt Salmani, Victoria, BC, UT Aug 28, dxldyg via DXLD)

If they are off, and I'm not saying they are - it hasn't been a week. I was working on the log periodic and testing some other antennas last weekend. I remember checking that 6030 and 6160 were the only daytime signals, and both were well received. I'll try to check tomorrow... the skip (or lack of it) with the solar storms has made local 40m ham stations inaudible so it may be just be conditions (Don Moman, VE6JY, 0412 UT Aug 28, ibid.)

Hi Walt - Heard CKZU tonight (Aug 28 UT). Good signal and audio (Ron Howard, CA, ibid.) Viz.:

6159.98, CKZU ñ Vancouver, 0517-0617, August 28. Mostly fair to good, with summertime QRN (static); 0559 with "This is CBC Radio One, 88.1 FM and 690 AM, Vancouver"; news and "BC weather" (mentioned ". . . with the exception of Fort Nelson . . ."); into "By Design"; somewhat surprised by the strong signal. Audio at

<https://app.box.com/s/6hw155fo90h2j8gmyt25kiknfp28mz1m>
No hint of CKZN. (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes Sirs, at 0815 UT on Aug 28 measured CKZU ñ Vancouver on lower mainland site at powerful S=9+30dB local signal, 6159.976 kHz footprint exact at Vancouver Island and Edmonton Alberta SDR remote posts. And checked also the East coast remote units like in MA, NJ, and FL states, noted tiny signal the other Canadian station CKZN St. Johns on 6159.959 kHz on N1ZZN and K2DLS remote units (Wolfgang B, schel, ibid.)

6159.98, CKZU ñ Vancouver, 1358, August 28. Local Vancouver traffic info; "roads are slick"; heavy rain and winds; "The Early Edition," "7 o'clock"; almost fair but adjacent QRM (Ron Howard, California, ibid.)

Thanks, Ron. So why are they so pitiful into Victoria of late? 73,
(Walt Salmaniw, ibid.)

Hi Walt, Indeed strange! With me hearing them fairly well (almost 100% readable) all the way down here in California, you should have much better reception than I have. Their recent operations seem normal to me. Aug 29, checked again at 0302, to hear news, followed by "BC weather," with warning of heavy rain; 0349 local ID (88.1 FM and 6-90 AM, Vancouver); fair (Ron Howard, ibid.)

I believe that Colin has an in with the engineer responsible for CBC transmitters, so we might have an answer. Having DX'd for many years, and having several antennae to choose from, I simply can't believe that it has to do with propagation, or my set-up. I'm about 77 km or so from the transmitter site. Night or day, of late, little if any signal from them. For example, right now at 2307 UT, almost zilch. Just a weak carrier. Hmm, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, ibid.)

Hi Walt, Vancouver to Asilomar State Beach is about 1,687 km. Have taken the Vancouver ferry (Tsawwassen over to Swartz Bay) and driven down to beautiful Victory maybe 5 or 6 times, so I know first hand how close you are.

Hard for me to imagine you not hearing CKZU 24/7. Assume everything else you are hearing is more or less normal? Any word yet from other Canadian DXers (Harold Sellers in BC, et al.), as to the quality of their reception and if they have noted any major change? A mystery! (Ron Howard, ibid.)

Maybe they have changed antenna to one which happens to feature a deep null toward Victoria. Or a lower take-off angle reaching California but skipping over Victoria in approx. the same direxion. After all,

the supposed purpose of the shortwave is to fill in coverage gaps up the coast to the NW or the interior, not surfacewave southward to Victoria. Just speculation (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Possibilities, Glenn. Reception is excellent all day into Masset. 73, (Walt Salmaniw, ibid.) i.e. in the QCI/Haida Gwaii (gh)

6160v-6159.976: Is CKZU Vancouver lower mainland on the air? They are audible here at local noon - just! Had to have the log periodic pointed at them to hear/see the carrier. Still horrible conditions. Not sure if it went to this reflector but Wolfy heard them via my remote last night as well - (Don VE6JY Moman, Alberta, BC-DX 31 Aug via DXLD)

Perhaps the CBC follows our threads! Tonight at 02:02 I tuned into 6160 (actually 6159.975) and there was the CBC. Over the next minute or two, the strength increased to S9 to S9 + 10....more like the usual. On the Perseus, I also see a weak carrier on 6159.948, perhaps CKZN? Clearly there's a transmitter fault, because at 02:07, the strength just dropped again to sub-audible, to a strength equal to the lower frequency. Something's amiss! Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, Aug 31, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CANADA. 6159.970, CKZU Vancouver, at 0910 UT on Edmonton, Alberta remote unit.

6159.948, CKZN St. Johns, S=6 signal in NJ/NY east coast USA remote unit (Wolfgang Bischel, some North American logs, Sept 1 at 0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY / NJ / NY / MA remote SDR's, DX LISTENING DIGEST) So 22 Hz apart at that time (gh)

** CANADA. ABORIGINAL VOICES RADIO REMAINS ON AIR PENDING APPEAL OF CRTC DECISION TO YANK LICENCES

OTTAWA - Aboriginal Voices Radio has been granted a temporary reprieve from a CRTC decision ordering it to shut down its radio stations in Toronto, Vancouver, Calgary and Edmonton. The Federal Court of Appeal stayed the suspension of license for the four stations pending the outcome of an application by the broadcaster for a leave to appeal CRTC 2015-282 issued June 25. In the event that the application by AVR for leave to appeal this Decision has not been determined by August 31, 2015, the broadcasting licences for these four radio stations shall continue on the same terms and conditions as those that were applicable to these licences prior to the Decision, until the application for leave to appeal is determined, reads court documents dated July 23, 2015 (via FM News, Bill Hale, Sept WTFDA VHF UHF Digest via DXLD)

** CHILE. 6925-AM, 28/8 0231 UT. Música chilena bailable, pícarosca y del recuerdo. I.E: Luceros del Valle, Los Hijos de Putre, Hiroito, et al, hasta las 03. SINPO: 34453 con leve QRM de radioaficionados en modo usb (Claudio Galaz Toledo, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo, m-s 20 metros de antena de tierra y balón de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD) Pirate RCW

6925, RCW, 1/9 0301 UT. Trasnoche con música del recuerdo y programas diexistas. SINPO: 25232. No varía mayormente excepto el ruido, siendo lo mejor el SINPO: 35333 a las 0507. Cabe destacar que serán 3 horas rotativas y que consistirán en un trasnoche con 8 horas continuas, como parte de una prueba del comportamiento de la emisión en horario nocturno, de 03 a 11, segün se informa vía Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/permalink.php?story_fbid=1051319098219812&id=578178758867184

con la siguiente programación (Horario UTC):

- "Frecuencia al Día" a las 0330 y 0630
- "El Rincón Dxista" con Victoria Sepsiu de RRI a las 0410 y 0710 UT.
- El Recuerdo de Tom Mayer y "La Estación de la Alegría" a las 0425 y 0725 UT (Claudio Galaz, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo, m-s 20 metros de antena de tierra y balón de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** CHINA. P.R./ R.O.C on Taiwan: The V of China in Chinese or CNR1 was heard on August 20th as follows:

1200-1300 on 14430, 14775, 14870, 16100, 16250, 16300

1300-1400 on 10960, 14430, 14775, 14870, 16100, 16250

1400-1600 on 10960, 14430, 14775, 14870, 16250, 16300

1600-1700 on ?6415?, 6730, 9185, 10960, 14775, 14870, 16250

Checked with the // program on 4800, 5945, 6000 etc. 73s, (Rumen Pankov, 31 Aug 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) I.e. all jammers, against Sound of Hope, Taiwan, but not reporting the latter at all (gh, DEXLD)

Log for 31.08.2015, 1936 UT, 9355 kHz, Fire Dragon against RFA, in Chinese, good signal - 73! (Ivan Lebedevsky, QTH: Vyritsa, Russia, RX: Grundig YB 80 with 5 m long wire, Web: <http://worlddx.ml/> Facebook: <http://facebook.com/iworldx> Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** CHINA. 6035.0, PBS, 1155, Sept 1. Seemed at this time they daily give a language lesson (Vietnamese & Chinese); before 1155 have been hearing Chinese and after 1200 in Vietnamese; yesterday and today found with significantly better reception.

Has been frustrating, as I have been attempting to hear ToH ID at 1200, 1300 & 1400, but no success due to the sudden increase in adjacent QRM at that time. Will keep trying! (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) cf BHUTAN

** CHINA. 7210, August 28, 2015 at 1959. CHINA RADIO INTERNATIONAL.
Male announcer in Shanghainese. IDs given several times in Mandarin,
iZhongguo Guangbo Diantai. Interval signal at 2000. Discussion about
160 people participating in some activity in Shanghai. Also, news
about an event in southern Taiwan. SINPO 55555 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad,
Iraq, JRC NRD-545, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING
DIGEST)

** CHINA. Due to maintenance of the transmitters in Jinhua Sep. 6-Oct.
16 China Radio International will be suspended from the following:

0000-0057 on 11780 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0100-0157 on 15160 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0200-0257 on 15160 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0300-0357 on 15160 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0300-0357 on 17710 JIN 500 kW / 310 deg EaEu Russian
0400-0457 on 15160 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Cantonese
0500-0557 on 15170 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Cantonese
0600-0657 on 15170 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0700-0757 on 11640 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Cantonese
0800-0857 on 11640 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0900-0957 on 7430 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Chinese
0900-0957 on 13790 JIN 500 kW / 150 deg AUS English
1000-1057 on 7325 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
1000-1057 on 13790 JIN 500 kW / 150 deg AUS English
1100-1157 on 7325 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
1130-1157 on 7410 JIN 500 kW / 172 deg SEAs Filipino
1200-1257 on 7325 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
1300-1357 on 7215 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
1400-1457 on 7410 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
1400-1457 on 11900 JIN 500 kW / 258 deg SoAs Sinhalese
1500-1557 on 7220 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
1500-1557 on 9785 JIN 500 kW / 280 deg SoAs English
1600-1657 on 11900 JIN 500 kW / 255 deg SoAf English
1700-1757 on 11900 JIN 500 kW / 255 deg SoAf English
1800-1857 on 7435 JIN 500 kW / 314 deg SEEu Italian
1830-1857 on 9695 JIN 500 kW / 310 deg SEEu Bulgarian will be on air!
1900-1957 on 11750 JIN 500 kW / 320 deg SoEu Portuguese
2030-2057 on 7390 JIN 500 kW / 314 deg CeEu Hungarian
2200-2257 on 7430 JIN 500 kW / 255 deg SoAf Chinese
2200-2257 on 13640 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
2300-2357 on 13640 JIN 500 kW / 059 deg EaAs Japanese
2300-2357 on 15100 JIN 500 kW / 165 deg SEAs Cantonese will be on air!
(DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31,
2015, via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

Absence of 7325 at 1000-1257 would uncover Wantok Radio Light, PNG, if

it were on, but I don't think it is active (gh, ibid.)

** CHINA [non]. Aug 29: SOH Xi Wang Zhi Sheng in Chinese to EaAs 1602 on 9930.3 unknown tx site

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zioTIIiXfDI8&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD) One thinkx of T8WH on 9930, but unlikely off-channel; rather, just TAIWAN (gh)

** COLOMBIA. 1170, HJNW, Caracol Radio, Cartagena, Bolívar. 2358 August 25, 2015. End of Colombian news items, Caracol promos. Big signal briefly on the greyline (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. 5910 & 6010, Aug 29 at 0110, no signals from HJDH and HJDH (but a JBA carrier on 6010.0; HFCC shows only possibility is a 5 kW reserve transmitter in Belarus, 23 hours a day; more likely a 5 kW Brasilian, unbeknownst to HFCC, but not off-frequency?). It seems the last time the Colombians were heard was May 23 as in DXLD 15-21.

I asked HJDH QSL manager Rafael Rodríguez R. in Bogotá why they are off, and received this rather surprising reply, original Spanish in the dxldyg and next DXLD [below]; here in my translation: (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Best Regards, Mr. Hauser, Earlier this year, Martin Stendal was linked by the Colombian Attorney General in an investigation for alleged support he would give the Colombian guerrillas of the FARC. He was accused by two former guerrillas seeking economic and legal benefits, incriminating Martin. The investigation determined that the work he carried out in no way could be interpreted as support for the FARC, because what he does is just evangelize and seek peace in Colombia.

Among the accusations, it was mentioned that he used the shortwave broadcasters to send encrypted messages, something that was not proven, but during the period of the investigation he preferred to keep them off the air. At the end of May he was exonerated of any accusations.

He also suffered the loss of his father, who started the evangelical work here in Colombia. After that I could not really have direct contact with him. I am informed he has decided to wait until all the investigation calms down and he is not currently in Colombia.

The organization decided to perform preventive maintenance on the equipment which already had some flaws, but an ongoing problem in the area where the transmitters are located is the electricity supply (ups and downs, absence, etc.). After the maintenance it was decided to hold off until the situation is regularized, through a power plant

fueled by diesel.

Actually I have no official information about ceasing broadcasts on shortwave, but all the work that Martin and his organization developed is going through changes. I am confident that sometime soon they will reactivate transmissions.

PS. I send you some links about the situation experienced by Martin with Colombian Attorney General, which has been solved for the better:

American missionary with alleged links to the FARC has been released:
<http://www.noticiasrcn.com/nacional-justicia/quedo-libertad-misionero-norteamericano-presuntos-vinculos-las-farc>

The failed assignment of the prosecution in the case of the missionary:

<http://www.semana.com/nacion/articulo/rusell-martin-stendal-liberado-misionero-estadounidense-farc/418480-3>

Capture of the American missionary is a false positive --- FARC
<http://radiomacondo.fm/2015/02/20/captura-del-misionero-estadounidense-martin-stendal-un-falso-positivo-judicial-farc/>
(Rafael Rodríguez R., Colombia, Aug 27, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Noticing that the HJDH stations on 5910v and 6010v have not been heard for some weeks, I inquired of their QSL manager about the situation:

Cordial Saludo, Mr. Hauser:

A principios de año Martin Stendal estuvo vinculado por la Fiscalía Colombiana en una investigación por supuesto apoyo que Él brindaría a la guerrilla colombiana de la FARC. Fue acusado por dos ex-guerrilleros, que buscando beneficios económicos y judiciales, incriminaron a Martin. La investigación determinó que la labor que Él desarrolla en ninguna manera podría interpretarse como apoyo al FARC, ya que lo que Él realiza es precisamente evangelizar y buscar la paz de Colombia.

Dentro de las acusaciones se mencionaba que utilizaba las emisoras en onda corta para dar mensajes en clave, algo que no fue comprobado pero igual durante el tiempo que duró la investigación se prefirió mantener apagadas las estaciones. Ya para finales de mayo se le exoneró de cualquier acusación.

...él sufrió también la pérdida de su padre quien fue quien inició la labor evangélica ac. en Colombia.

Luego de esto, realmente no he podido tener contacto directo con Él; seg'n me informan, ha decidido esperar a que todo el tema de la investigaciÛn se calme y actualmente no se encuentra en Colombia. La organizaciÛn decidiÛ realizar un mantenimiento preventivo a los equipos que ya presentaban algunas fallas, pero se sumÛ un constante problema que se tiene en la zona donde se ubican los transmisores y es el fluido elÈctrico (altibajos, ausencia, etc.) por lo cual luego del mantenimiento se optÛ por mantenerlos apagados hasta que se regularice la situaciÛn, así sea a travÈs de una planta elÈctrica alimentada por Diesel.

En realidad no tengo informaciÛn oficial que vayan a dejar las emisiones en onda corta, pero toda la labor que Martin y su organizaciÛn desarrollan est· atravesando cambios. Confío que el alg'n prÛximo momento reactiven las transmisiones.

Rafael Rodriguez R.

PD. le envío algunos enlaces sobre la situaciÛn vivida por Martin con la Fiscalìa Colombiana, que para bien ya se solucionÛ

QUED" EN LIBERTAD MISIONERO NORTEAMERICANO CON PRESUNTOS VÔNCULOS CON LAS FARC ---

<http://www.noticiasrcn.com/nacional-justicia/quedo-libertad-misionero-norteamericano-presuntos-vinculos-las-farc>

QuedÛ en libertad misionero norteamericano con presuntos vÌnculos con las Farc --- Justicia - Febrero 19 de 2015, 10:31 pm
El misionero Russell Martin Stendal, est· radicado desde hace aÒos en Colombia. Foto: NoticiasRCN [caption]

Las pruebas presentadas por el fiscal no fueron suficientes para la juez penal de garantías, que lo dejÛ en libertad.

Una juez penal de garantías dejÛ en libertad al misionero norteamericano Russell Martin Stendal, capturado por presuntos vÌnculos con las Farc. Para la funcionaria no fueron suficientes las pruebas presentadas por un fiscal especializado de Cundinamarca, que solicitÛ medida de aseguramiento.

La Fiscalìa basÛ los cargos en el testimonio de cuatro desmovilizados, a quienes el norteamericano acusÛ de haberlo extorsionado.

"Fui secuestrado en el aÒo 83 por el sÈptimo frente de las Farc, y en ese secuestro conocì al guerrillero Noel PÈrez. ...l fue uno de los que se aproximÛ a Dios, tuvo un cambio de corazÛn y hablÛ bien de mÌ, y Manuel Marulanda me soltÛ", explicÛ Russell Martin Stendal.

Russell Martin Stendal est· radicado desde hace aÙos en Colombia. Fue detenido este miÈrcoles en una sede policial de Bogot·, cuando se presentÛ con su abogado tras enterarse de una orden de captura en su contra.

La FiscalÌa iniciÛ una investigaciÛn contra Stendal luego de que informaciones de la PolicÌa, basadas en escuchas y seguimientos, indicaran que el misionero colaboraba logÌsticamente con las Farc.

"Al parecer habrÌa colaborado en el montaje de emisoras clandestinas y la atenciÛn a guerrilleros heridos o enfermos", seÙalÛ una fuente de la FiscalÌa.

El abogado de Stendal asegurÛ que el hombre es un misionero que se dedicaba adem·s a la ganaderÌa y la agricultura.

Adem·s, la PolicÌa Nacional
<http://noticiasrcn-admin.4cloud.co/node/add/noticias#l>
asegurÛ tener varios testimonios de guerrilleros desmovilizados que seÙalan al norteamericano.

"Era una persona que llegaba a repartir biblias y a desarrollar otras actividades de car·cter religioso con la guerrilla y posiblemente fue utilizado en actividades ilegales", afirmÛ el subcomandante de la PolicÌa de Cundinamarca, coronel VÌctor GÛmez. --- NoticiasRCN.com

LA FALLIDA IMPUTACI"N DE LA FISCALÒA EN EL CASO DEL MISIONERO ESTADOUNIDENSE --- Rusell Martin Stendal fue seÙalado por la FiscalÌa de integrar una red de apoyo de ese grupo guerrillero. Un juez desestimÛ las acusaciones. Esta es la historia. [with video]
<http://www.semana.com/nacion/articulo/rusell-martin-stendal-liberado-misionero-estadounidense-farc/418480-3>

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Rusell [sic] Martin Stendal liberado misionero estadounidense FARC

Rusell Martin Stendal, en el centro, luego de recobrar su libertad.
Foto: Twitter.com - @DnlRey [caption]

En una diligencia que durÛ cerca de cinco horas la FiscalÌa le imputÛ el delito de rebeliÛn al denominado misionero norteamericano Rusell Martin Stendal, quien, presuntamente, harÌa parte de una cadena humana perteneciente al frente 53 de las FARC.

Seg·n la FiscalÌa, el 19 de marzo del 2013 llegÛ un oficio de parte del EjÈrcito en el que advertÌa sobre un grupo de civiles que podrÌa tener nexos con ese frente guerrillero. Entre los mencionados aparecÌa

el nombre de Stendal. Por esta razûn, la Policía Judicial integró un equipo para determinar la veracidad de la informaciûn.

La investigaciûn duró más de un año y en ella se obtuvieron datos provenientes de desmovilizados de la guerrilla, con los que se logró individualizar a 22 personas. Fue allí donde apareció por primera vez el nombre de Martin Stendal.

Uno de los testimonios clave es el de Dumar Yepes Hurtado, alias 'Samuel Carrillo', quien se refirió a Stendal como un americano que le suministraba todo cuanto se requería a la emisora Marfil Stereo y a otras estaciones de radio de los Llanos que servían para difundir propaganda de ese grupo subversivo. Pero además, supuestamente, servía como instructor en locución a guerrilleros.

Yepes les aseguró a los investigadores que Stendal había servido como contacto entre las FARC y el grupo paramilitar comandando por Pedro Oliveiro Gurrero, alias ëCuchilloí. Se trató, seg'n la versión, de una alianza macabra en la que los paramilitares cedían territorio que las FARC utilizaban para el tránsito de estupefacientes. A cambio, ëCuchilloí recibía mucho dinero.

Luego de eso, los investigadores comenzaron a cercar a Stendal, quien en la noche del miércoles se presentó al búnker de la Fiscalía cuando se enteró sobre una orden de captura en su contra por el presunto delito de rebelión.

A juzgar por las supuestas evidencias, Stendal, oriundo de Minneapolis (Estados Unidos), se movía principalmente entre Villavicencio, Sumapaz y Guayabetal. Y si bien se hacía pasar por misionero, nadie sabía a qué grupo religioso pertenecía.

Pero la defensa de Stendal sacó un repertorio y logró que un juez desestimara las acusaciones. Aseguró que el misionero fue secuestrado por la guerrilla en 1983 y que fue el propio Manuel Marulanda Vélez, ëTirofijoi, quien ordenó su libertad y le dio permiso para continuar su labor de misionero en zonas con marcada influencia guerrillera.

Stendal dijo haber servido como infiltrado del Ejército y que, gracias a su labor, las autoridades lograron detener a varios subversivos. Además que algunos guerrilleros presos se dedicaron a extorsionarlo, a lo que él no cedió. Entonces comenzaron a testificar en su contra bajo el argumento de que era ficha clave de las FARC.

El juez de la causa oyó pacientemente los argumentos y, tras cinco horas de audiencia, dejó en libertad al misionero. ¡No entiende el juzgado la información aportada de la Fiscalía sobre la actividad permanente de una persona que se desempeña de forma pública en su

laborí, dijo el funcionario judicial.

¿Cómo es posible que la Fiscalía, la Policía y el Ejército no hayan advertido esta situación? La investigación de la Fiscalía es incipiente", concluyó.

El misionero, que es reconocido por haber inspirado uno de los personajes de la película La Montaña, grabó un video tras su captura el miércoles en el que aseveraba que le habían puesto una trampa.

Con esto desmintió las versiones de algunos medios según las cuales se entregaba voluntariamente. Igualmente, la declaración de Stendal apunta hacia la tesis de fuentes reservadas que afirman que el hombre se habría presentado a la Fiscalía sin saber que una orden de captura pesaba en su contra.

El proceso, sin embargo, continúa. Pero lo que queda claro por ahora es que la Fiscalía perdió el primer asalto de este sonado caso.

CAPTURA DEL MISIONERO ESTADOUNIDENSE MARTIN STENDAL UN FALSO POSITIVO JUDICIAL, FARC --- Publicado el 20 de febrero de 2015 en la categoría: Noticias Nacionales

<http://radiomacondo.fm/2015/02/20/captura-del-misionero-estadounidense-martin-stendal-un-falso-positivo-judicial-farc/>

Desde la Habana la guerrilla de las Farc rechazó la detención del misionero norteamericano, Russell Martin Stendal, a quien la Fiscalía le imputó cargos por rebelión, por su parte la Policía de Cundinamarca señaló que se trataba de una investigación adelantada de meses atrás.

Las principales pruebas contra Stendal son los testimonios de tres desmovilizados de las Farc identificados como Robinson Valencia Vera, alias «Abelardo», Dumar Yepes Hurtado, alias «Samuel Carrillo», y alias «Hernies». Según ellos, el misionero norteamericano colaboró con la instalación de emisoras de la guerrilla en los departamentos de Meta y Cundinamarca, precisamente, en el páramo de Sumapaz.

Martin Stendal llegó a Colombia junto a sus padres a la edad de 8 años, por lo que los primeros pasos como misionero los dio en la Sierra Nevada de Santa Marta, allí Stendal trabajó con las comunidades indígenas en los años 60.

Desde muy temprano el misionero empezó a recorrer el país y a liderar procesos humanitarios. Su familia creó el Instituto Lingüístico Lomalinda en Puerto Lleras (Meta). Sin embargo, empezó a ser un foco de atentados ya que era considerado por la guerrilla como una entidad fachada del gobierno norteamericano. Tanto así que en 1981 uno de sus

miembros fue asesinado por hombres del M-19.

Sobre la detencin la delegacin de paz de la guerrilla dio a conocer en su sitio en internet el siguiente comunicado:

La Habana, Cuba, sede de los di·logos de paz, febrero 20 de 2015

La aprehensin por la Fiscalia colombiana del misionero estadounidense, Martin Stendal, bajo el cargo de rebelin, es un falso positivo judicial que clama al cielo.

Deja mucho que desear la inteligencia de la policia de Cundinamarca al confundir evangelizacin con rebelin. El arma de Stendal es efectivamente una biblia, como bien precisa su abogado, y su prdica es la reconciliacin entre hermanos. Cualquier integrante del tan repudiado cartel de los testigos podra confirmar que este ciudadano siempre predic la paz entre los contendientes armados y no armados, incluyendo a insurgentes, ejrcito y paramilitares.

DELEGACI" N DE PAZ DE LAS FARC-EP <http://www.radiomacondo.fm>

(via Rafael Rodrguez R., Colombia, Aug 27, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COSTA RICA. [TV-DX:] CDR 2 Costa Rica 08-28-2015---hope you can see & compare

Our car was being serviced yesterday & I had the VCR running while we were away. Had some amazing DX during that morning --- I hope to put up some more later, but here is the rare CDR Canal 2 San Jos, Costa Rica, which had to have been around 1330 UT Aug 28.

I tweaked these photos as best I could. The 2 logo, which looks like a landline phone (after all CDR 2 is "radio on TV"), will always be rough to see. However I also saw the word "VOZ" in a talk-balloon, and it can be seen in the clear here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gLPcZrRAzEk>

Anyway I could not make these photos any better! Attached Thumbnails:

<http://forums.wtfda.org/showthread.php?10216-CDR-2-Costa-Rica-08-28-2015-hope-you-can-see-amp-compare&p=36948#post36948>

(Chris Dunne, Pembroke Pines FL, Aug 29, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

The logo in UR is very evident in the first photo. It's such an unusual, yet distinctive design, I can't imagine there's anything else resembling it. Ch 4 is believed to be 10 kW, it would be interesting to know what Ch 2 is, considering I've seen ch 4 several times-but not a peep out of ch 2. Very nice job, Chris! And thanks for posting video

(Mike, South Louisiana, TVDXing since 7/27/09, *ibid.*)

Here's Nuestra Voz for August 28, from CDR:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UvIuR_K-8rA
(Raymie Humbert, AZ, *ibid.*)

Christopher, good job. The photos are good enough. I can even see the VOZ in the thumbnail (Danny Oglethorpe, Shreveport, LA, *ibid.*)

Thanks all. Raymie, I reviewed the YouTube. It is possible that only *part* of the program is YouTubed, because the name on YT shown in LL (a caller named Rita MÈndez, about at the midpoint of the video) is the only name I see, and the poor video doesn't match the letters in the name. However, thanks to your link, I certainly can see the "tail" of the talk balloon logo behind the hostess. I also timed the difference between the lady photo and the talk balloon, and it's about 6 minutes. What's on the YT 6 minutes prior to the final logo on the YT is not what I have. So it could be a much longer show than CDR uploads. After all, uploading to YT isn't exactly seamless. cd (Chris Dunne, *ibid.*)

The CDR upload is 50 minutes. There might have been commercials in it if it was a full hour show (Raymie, *ibid.*)

I cannot find the exact duration of the program from any sites I can find; CDR's site does not have a sked to my knowledge. No matter; it was them! [later:] "Nuestra Voz" is 2 hours long per:
<http://www.cdrcomercial.cr/television/canal-2#pr>
cd (Dunne, *ibid.*)

** CRIMEA. [Re 15-33]: ROSKOMNADZOR REGISTERS PUBLIC CRIMEAN TATAR TELEVISION CHANNEL, RADIO STATION --- Saga continues:
http://news.rin.ru/eng/news_text/127265/
(Leo Barmaleo, Moldova, Sept 1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. THE SPY AMONG US --- Every Thursday night at 9:15 Barsky would tune into his shortwave radio at his apartment in Queens and listen for a transmission he believed came from Cuba.

Jack Barsky: All the messages were encrypted that they became digits. And the digits would be sent over as, in groups of five. And sometimes that took a good hour to just write it all down, and then another three hours to decipher.

<http://www.cbsnews.com/news/former-kgb-spy-jack-barsky-steve-kroft-60-minutes-2/>
(via Bob Wilkner, FL, DXLD) Like all 60m stories now, a rerun (gh)

História fan-tas-ti-ca. Pena que apenas em inglís (Huelbe Garcia,

Brasil, radioescutas yg via DXLD)

** CUBA. 1620, Aug 29 at 0138, R. Rebelde with excited commentary, but NOT // 5025, which is to be expected as 1620 then mentions ``sorteo de bÈisbol --- de la FM Radio Rebelde`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 17730, Aug 27 at 2003 on caradio, RHC Portuguese but with supported modulation. Can be their best afternoon frequency.

11840, Aug 28 at 0012, RHC is open carrier/dead air, while 11760 is modulating plentifully, running S9+30 and splashing up to 15 kHz out, kind of mixing with the RNB spur around 11745. 11670 is also on, not quite as strong.

17730, Aug 28 at 2025, RHC Portuguese (very much Brazilian accent) in philatelic show, with normal modulation, not supported like 24 hours ago.

11840, Aug 31 at 0116, RHC is S9 but open carrier/dead air, while 11760 at S9+25 and 11670 at S9+30 are fully modulating; 0137 recheck, 11840 still OC/DA, during `En Contacto` DX program UT Mondays (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Log of RHC signal heard in NJ / NY area via remote SDR units, Aug 31: from 1250 UT:

BAU 11860.006 S=9+5dB
BAU 11949.998 S=8-9

QVC CRI English 9570 S=9+25dB at 1300 UT.

BEJ 9640 S=5-6 poor, curtain backlobe
BEJ 9820.005 S=6 poor
BAU 13740 S=5-6 poor, curtain backlobe
QVC 15230 S=5-6 poor, curtain backlobe
BAU 15370 S=9+10dB
BAU 15730 S=9+20dB, strong signal of 130degr SoAM array at 1320 Aug 31

Log of RHC signal heard in NJ/ NY, and at Edmonton Canada remote SDR units, on Aug 31 from 2115 to 2132 UT time slot:

BAU 17730 broadband 20 kHz wide signal, S=9+20dB powerful
BAU 13740 NIL, nothing on air, not even a TX carrier, 2125 UT
BAU 11760 S=9+15dB, VERY PUNCHY MODULATION
BEJ 9710 S=7, poor signal
BEJ 9535 S=3-4, poor tiny, on threshold.
wb df5sx (Wolfgang B.schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15700, Sept 1 at 1401, still dead air from CRI English relay; finally cuts on modulation at 1402.3. The ChiCom don't trust the Albanians to run the Cîrrik relay reliably, so why should they trust the Cubans?

11650, Sept 2 at 0127, pulse jamming against nothing, presumably a stray; only thing scheduled here is CRI Chinese via Urumqi (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA [non]. 9565, Radio Martí; 2048-2108+, 29-Aug; 2M Radio Martí SS announcers with béisbol game coverage; "Gigantes de San Francisco" (Giants mentioned many times but not once the Cardinals they were playing: Giants fan?) Many mentions of Cuba & cubanos relating to players and where they are from; Radio Martí news break at 2051 and promo for "Contacto Cuba". S25 peaks & no jamming (Harold Frogge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Amazing trans-equatorial reception. The approx. distance between Guantánamo and Chicureo, Santiago de Chile is 5,960 km. Short recording available at: 95.5 CMKS Guantánamo Cuba en Chile - FM Dx https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6KTPKFt0J6w&feature=em-subs_digest

Published on Aug 29, 2015 === 95.5 CMKS desde Guantanomo Cuba escuchada en Chicureo, Santiago, Chile. Hora: 21.33CEv 00.33z. Fecha: 27-Ago-2015 CE3SAD (via Henrik Klemetz, Suecia, dxldyg via DXLD)

** ECUADOR. Y LLEGAMOS AL ANIVERSARIO 75 DE RADIO CRE!!!

El 1 de Septiembre de 1940 salió al aire la emisora operada por la Compañía Radiodifusora del Ecuador, que se anunciaba como CRE, Compañía Radiodifusora del Ecuador. Producto del entusiasmo y de la visión de empresarios experimentados y jóvenes periodistas, entre los que se encontraba Don Rafael Guerrero Valenzuela, salieron al espectro radial con el reto de convertirse en poco tiempo en la radio preferida de los guayaquileños con su programación noticiosa, deportiva, musical y de entretenimiento. . .

[LONG story, mentions many personality names; once on SW 4765]
<http://www.cre.com.ec/noticia/115845/y-llegamos-al-aniversario-75-de-radio-cre/>
(via José Miguel Romero2, Spain, dxldyg via DXLD)

** EGYPT. Christer Brunström: Radio Cairo 9800 kHz sände QSL-kort och schema. Allt kom som rekat brev. När jag lyssnade i våras kunde man faktiskt uppfatta ungefär 50 % av programinnehållet. Teknikerna måste väl vara klara över att det nästan är omjligt att få förstår innehållet i programmen pga. den undermåliga tekniska ljudkvalitén. Detta har nu pågått i väldigt många år.

Christer Brunstrom: Radio Cairo 9800 kHz sent the QSL card and schedule. Everything came as recce [sic ???] letter. As I listened in the spring could actually perceive about 50% of the program content. The technicians must surely be clear that it is almost impossible to understand the content of the programs due to the poor technical quality of the sound. This has now been going on for very many years (Christer Brunström, Sweden, SW Bulletin Aug 30 via Google translation but what's ``recce'' --- registered? via DXLD)

Rekat is short for rekommenderat in Swedish. I don't know if you use registered or recommended in English (Thomas Nilsson, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Yes, registered; cf French recommandé. How in the world did Google make this into ``recce``? (gh)

** EGYPT. 9315.033 kHz footprint, Radio Cairo in Spanish, terrible 13x spurious scratching signals, each sideband heard when checked 31 mb, tonight at 0115-0145 UT on Aug 26. Carrier frequency 9315.033 kHz noted with S=9+10dB here in Germany, but only low level of 5% audio modulation of Radio Cairo in Spanish. Main Spanish language audio real listening signal heard on different nearby 9293.5 kHz exact frequency.

Also 6x spurious signals each sideband on
9203.1-9208.8
9225.5-9233.0
9247.8-9251.5
9270.3-9276.1
9292.5-9294.4 (main audio band centered 9293.5 kHz)

upper side:
9336.0-9338.5
9357.0-9360.0
9374.4-9383.3
9396.2-9405.2
9422.0-9426.8
9436.4-9450.2 kHz

and seven spurs more noted at 0150 UT on 9466 9495 9505 9533 9555 9623, and 9643 kHz (Wolfgang Bischel, Aug 25, wwdx BC-DX TopNews 31 Aug via DXLD)

Aug 26: Radio Cairo in English to SoAf 1600 on 15345.2 Abis
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MsPBYGkU-VY&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

9800, Radio Cairo at 2219 with a woman with news then iLadies and gentlemen, this brings us to the end of another program on Radio Cairo at 2224 and brief pop instrumentals and another woman with iRadio Cairo Presents at 2225 ñ Good signal but usual muffled audio

Aug 28 (Mark Coady, Ont, ODXA YRX via DXLD)

12070 & 11935 at 0113 Aug 29; 9965.2 at 0129 Aug 29; and 9315 at 0133 Aug 29, all R. Cairo frequencies are JBA carriers, so I can't really evaluate the modulation: cagey! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9800 kHz, R Cairo English Service heard 29 August at 2115 UT with a (half-)decent modulation, meaning at least that I could actually listen and, for the most part, understand. Quite variable tho, with some announcer/presenters easier to understand than others (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9965.2, Aug 31 at 0109, R. Cairo Arabic, fair signal but open carrier/dead air.

9315.0, Aug 31 at 0109, R. Cairo Spanish, suptorted, undermodulated, hum

11935.0, Aug 31 at 0110, R. Cairo, JBA carrier as S1

12070, Aug 31 at 0110, R. Cairo, S3, open carrier/dead air
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RADIO CAIRO TO NORTH AMERICA, EQUIPMENT SITUATION

I have to admit that I've been a Radio Cairo fan since the early 1970s and have observed that they've had equipment problems the entire time between then and now. But thanks to the marvels of social media, I'm Friends with Radiocairo to North America on Facebook and they announce when they livestream on Livestream, so I've preferred to hear them that way. You do need to sign up for an account to hear the stream, though, but here's the link if you're interested.

<http://livestream.com/accounts/13376843/events/4310929>

The event cited is tonight's broadcast (as of this posting) and if you click on that, you'll discover from the archive of that broadcast that there are still significant equipment issues even in the studio, let alone the ongoing trouble with the transmitters. If you do sign up, please tell Mayar Adel that Clara sent ya. :) (Clara Listensprechen, 0407 UT Aug 31, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

R. Cairo in German from 1900 to 2000z, relatively loud modulation at times but heavily distorted audio (clearly a missing bias voltage or simply too worn out audio stage or modulation tube). Sometimes reasonably audible, sometimes too distorted, depending on the audio and voice level fed into the transmitter. Heavy 100 Hz hum. (Snippet

attached of the S/On before 1900, time signal about 20 seconds early vs. UT). (Tobias [squared], Germany, Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9315.0, Sept 2 at 0112, R. Cairo S9+5 but open carrier/dead air instead of Spanish

9965.2, Sept 2 at 0117, R. Cairo with whine, open carrier/dead air instead of Arabic

11935.0, Sept 2 at 0129, R. Cairo S7, open carrier/dead air instead of Spanish

12070, Sept 2 at 0129, R. Cairo, S8 with undermodulated Spanish but not too distorted (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Cairo, 9315, 0316 2 SEP, in ENGLISH from ABIS. SINPO = 15211. Male announcer, modulation barely perceptible. QSB=ff. sf89.3, a6, k2, geomag: quiet. 250 kW, beamAz 330 , bearing 30 . Sangean ATS505 With Kaito KA33 in west facing window. Received at Las Vegas, United States, 11736 km from transmitter at Abis. Local time: 2016. 73s (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** EUROPE. PIRATE-EURO. Technical Man-Holland, 6285 AM, 2234-2312+, 08-22-15, SI0: 333. Playing pop and rock tunes, frequency IDs, email address given. Nice signal for a Europirate. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-EURO. BarraQuda, 5897 USB, 2313-2345+, 08-22-15, SI0: 232. Bunch of tunes by Maroon 5. Just music, no IDs or talking. ID per Chris Smolinski's log (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, JRC NRD-545; Aerials: 40 Meter dipole, G5RV, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EUROPE. Dear FRS Friend, Next Sunday FRS-Holland will hit the SW airwaves at 1752 UT/19:52 CEST with no less than 5 hours of music and information. We are 35 years young!! No official celebrations but still --- worth while to tune in our way. An evening full of musical memories and radio related items; the 'old fashioned' true sound of short wave free radio. Freqs 9300 // 7700 kHz. Tune in! Go tell your friends. For more detailed information surf to
<http://www.frsholland.nl>

Have a good weekend! 73s Peter Verbruggen, via ARDXC list Aug 28 via DXLD) i.e. Aug 30

Fair reception in noisy conditions of FRS-Holland on 7700 kHz this evening 30 August right now (2030 UT) scheduled with broadcast until 2305 this evening. This hour "Made in Holland presents a Special-Peter Verbruggen with music from Dutch artists/ bands from the 1970-1980 era. Part of the show will be extracts from landbased SW

pirates." Dave Scott coming up at 2100 UT. Nothing heard on advertised second frequency of 9300/9335 kHz.

<http://www.frsholland.nl/20-latest-news/90-frs-summer-evening-broadcast.html>
(Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldyg via DXLD)

Hi Alan, Nothing at all heard here on either frequency, sadly! :-(
73 for now, (Alan Gale, UK, 2055 UT Aug 30, ibid.)

The signal died away as 2100 approached, and I hear nothing there now (2145 UT) (Alan Roe, ibid.)

Logged FRS Holland on 9300 Sunday, log as "Rafman" at
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23202.0.html>
Regards & Watching, (Chris Crosby, Bugs Island VA, Amateur Radio - K4RAF, Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FIJI. FIJI, JAPAN SIGN AGREEMENT ON RADIO CAPABILITY - Fiji Times Online

THE Fijian and Japanese governments signed an agreement today on the upgrading of radio capability in the country. The \$14.5 million grant given by the Japanese Government would see the Fiji Broadcasting Corporation "provide clearer" programs to remote maritime areas. Prime Minister Voreqe Bainimarama said on a good day, the programs could even be picked up from New Zealand. Japanese Ambassador, Takuji Hanatani said Japan would provide medium wave radio equipment worth approximately FJ\$15m and it would be implemented under Japan's Grant Aid scheme - JICA. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, Aug 31, dxldyg via DXLD)

Perhaps more MW frequencies will be reactivated? How retro (gh, DXLD)

FBC-558 was off with technical issues for some time and replaced by 98.2 temporarily for the northern & southern Lau Islands. Recent reception seems to confirm 558 has now returned. There is no longer any mention of 98.2 FM on the air. FBC seems to regret its decision to end AM, and there are reports of an imminent return on both 558 and 990. Not clear about 1152 which has been rarely heard in NZ, last reception was from a DXer on a cruise ship off the northern coasts of Fiji. Also not clear is 810. Radio Fiji has used 990 in the past. With the military government in Fiji since the coups, it has been hard to get info on FBC stations. Seems to be time to try again (David Ricquish, Facebook, via IRCA DX Monitor Sept 5 via DXLD)

** FINLAND. Scandinavian Weekend Radio --- No licence to broadcast 4th-5th Sept 2015 because new regulations telecommunication authorities in here Finland. However, next broadcast dates are:

2nd-3rd Oct
6th-7th Nov
4th-5th Dec

Written reports to: SWR, P. O. Box 99, FI-34801 Virrat, Finland.
Answer by QSL-card, postal fees: 2 USD or 2 IRC or 2 eur.

E-mail reports to: info@swradio.net. We answer these return by eQSL.
More info about station: <http://www.swradio.net>
It's too free to be legal! Good listening, Dj H‰k‰, Scandinavian
Weekend Radio (via Tapani H‰kkinen, Aug 24, Hard-Core-DX mailing list
delayed until Aug 31, via DXLD)

** FINLAND [non]. Radio Spaceshuttle Special 2 px-serie, part one --
Wishing you to join to our sw-transmission in August 30th! We proudly
transmit best ever music on 13.6 MHz (13600 kHz) this Sunday 30th of
August 2015 19-20 hours UT. Please join with!

With... Wishes to our listeners and few request songs, Contest info,
Hobart Radio news. And large amount of great rock-mx.

And we really wish you to be with our program 6th of September, same
channel, same time. Big announcement there - wishing you new or older
dear friends of Spaceshuttle being listening - and having nice time.

Your letters/reception reports very welcome to our address in Herten:

Radio Spaceshuttle International
P. O. Box 2702
NL: 6049 ZG Herten
The Netherlands A little fee (2 euros) for return postage (for full
info printed QSLs) is needed!
Quick response and communication is possible by e-mail:
spaceshuttleradio@yahoo.com

Best Regards!, Dick of Radio Spaceshuttle (via Roberto Scaglione,
bclnews.it yg via DXLD)

BIG ANNOUNCEMENT OF RADIO SPACESHUTTLE! Dear listeners, Many thanks
for listening Radio Spaceshuttle on 31 meters 9600, and 22 meters
13800 and 13600 since 1st of March 2015!

We shall have great program again 6th of September 2015 with
1. results of 2015 Radio Spaceshuttle contest
2. Listeners corner - with musical requests
3. Special announcement from Radio Spaceshuttle International
4. Best ever Spaceshuttle music - worth of listening and recording.

This will be your "Once in Lifetime" chance to hear Radio Spaceshuttle and sent reception report. Special e-mail QSL is ready to sent to you- you will got yours very soon after this transmission- if getting your report during Sunday - your QSL is on your post during Monday 7th of September.

Also reports wanted to our Herten Box- will be verified with printed QSL. All older reports are under work for QSLs. Many thanks for all regular listeners as well to new ones. It has been so fun with you.

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The Netherlands A little fee (2 euros) for return postage (for full info printed QSLs) is needed! "Please tell your friends as well that Radio Spoaceshuttle is on 13600 kHz from 19 to 20 hours UTC next Sunday 6th of September 2015" Best Regards! (Dick Spacewalker of Radio Spaceshuttle, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[Seems he is about to quit; spoiler: yes, but the Sept 6 broadcast a bust due to tech problems; rescheduled? See next week, dxldyg --- gh]

That's via BULGARIA, where -00 frequencies are still preferred. No luck so far hearing it here, especially with Cuban jamming and Martí plus 5 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** FRANCE. Hi again, A few comments about the World News section in MWN V61 No.4, the part concerning France.

Concerning Radio Maria, the 100-watt transmitter mentioned is not on MW 1467 kHz but on FM; if I'm not mistaken the frequency is 88.2 MHz.

Regarding the closure of the MW outlets of Radio France, we can do very well without France Bleu on 1278 kHz, as it broadcasts programmes in a local language that hardly anyone speaks these days, but not so with the Paris-Villebon station on 864 kHz.

That outlet carries a relay of iFrance Bleu 107 1î broadcast on FM from the top of the Eiffel Tower whose main function is to carry traffic news.

Now the FM transmitter covers the Paris area very well, but tens of thousands of commuters from further afield rely heavily on the MW relays every day. If there has ever been a useful mediumwave station in this country, it is certainly that one. Shutting it down is a stupidity.

In the mag we can read iAt the end of this year, the two mediumwave transmitters of France Bleu (864 kHz and 1278 kHz) and...î. OK, but there are four mediumwave stations that carry France-Bleu. So what will happen to the other two outlets (on 1404 and 1494 kHz) is anyone's guess. Shutting them down would be absurd too, as there is no way to serve the area on FM. Wait and see, 73, (RÈmy Friess, France, Sept 1, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

** FRANCE. 1647 kHz, COL DE LA MADONE outside MW band, see also recent intermodulation discussion of 1557 / 1467 kHz, 90 kHz away channel distance, discussed in German ng A-DX. {probably also IM on lower side on MW 1377 kHz too ?} (Wolfgang B,schel, Aug 28, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 31 via DXLD)

Re: UNID 1647 kHz. France Info, Col de la Madonne, Peille, France.
1557 - 1467 = 90 kHz distance apart
1557 + 90 = 1647 kHz intermodulation.

Wobei die 1467 kHz ja nicht vom Col de la Madonne, Peille, kommt, sondern aus Roumoules France, wo auch die 216 kHz steht. (s. <<http://is.gd/czb0JY>>). Witzig, dass der Effekt offenbar trotzdem funktioniert (Daniel Kaehler, Germany, A-DX Aug 30, ibid.)

Noeoeh Sir, - nicht immer, ich habe aber die vorhergehenden Mails schon geloescht, kann die Uhrzeit deshalb nicht pruefen, sorry, ausserhalb der TWR relays Roumoules sommers 2015-2200 UT mit 1000kW gibt/gab es auf 1467 kHz auch immer Sendungen aus Monaco Nord (Col de la Madonne, Peille, France) mit geringerer Leistung. Die Boel Liste zeigt 40 kW:

1467 kHz MC0 - Radio Maria, Col de la Madonne (40) - 0500-1900 French
1557 kHz F - France Info, Col de la Madonne (150) - 24h

Scheint das Intermodulationsprodukt auf 1647 {px von 1467} und auch 1377 {px von 1557} kHz auf, wenn 1467 kHz um circa 19 UT abgeschaltet hat? (Wolfgang B,schel, Aug 30, wwdxc BC-DX TopNews Aug 31 via DXLD)

** FRANCE. Strange registrations of TDF/RFI effective from Oct. 19: 0800-0830 on 15455 ISS 500 kW / 198 deg to WeAf Man=Mandingo lang 1200-1230 on 21620 ISS 500 kW / 198 deg to WeAf Man=Mandingo lang The frequencies are regireterd in HFCC Database on August 24, 2015 (DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

Mandingo is not in the EiBi readme language roster, but it's alternately spelt: ``Mandingo (also called Mandinka) is a member of the Manding branch from the Niger-Congo language family. It is the

official language of Senegal, and is also spoken in Gambia and Guinea-Bissau. There are more than 1.2 million Mandingo speakers`` also Sierra Leone (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** GERMANY. QSL Report for end of August 2015: 6005, Nordam Radio Special, German broadcast via Kall-Krekel Transmitter. Received a E-mail reply apologizing for the long delay in responding to my report of January 1, 2015. Confirmation of my étentativeí report due to a specific song that was played. Also mentioned they are on shortwave frequency of 9560 kHz. Reply in six months. V/S; Daniel Koehler (Edward Kusalik - Daysland, Alberta, Canada, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. Voice of Greece, AVLis only on 9935, Aug. 25, normally it`s both or neither [quoting gh]:

0630-0805 on 9420 170 kW / 323 deg NoAm Greek, NO SIGNAL on August 25
0630-0805 on 9935 100 kW / 323 deg NoAm Greek terrible audio/hum tone
0805-0808 on 9420 170 kW / 323 deg NoAm Vary*, NO SIGNAL on August 25
0805-0808 on 9935 100 kW / 323 deg NoAm Vary* terrible audio/hum tone
* today only in Serbian, missing Romanian and Russian. At 0858 UT 9935 off air

Voice of Greece again on August 25

from 1805 on 9420 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek, co-ch VIRI Arabic 9422
from 1805 on 9935 100 kW / 285 deg WeEu Greek terrible audio/hum tone
1845&1900 on 9420 170 kW / 323 deg WeEu Greek is off, only VIRI 9422!
1845&1900 on 9935 100 kW / 285 deg WeEu Greek terrible audio/hum tone

Voice of Greece again on August 26

0300&0500 on 9420 170 kW / 323 deg NoAm Greek, broadcast off at 0504!
0300&0500 on 9935 100 kW / 323 deg NoAm Greek, NO SIGNAL on August 26
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/voice-of-greece-only-on-one-frequency.html>

Voice of Greece on 9420 only from 1757 Aug 26 until 0512 UT on Aug 27 all in Greek, except Serbian from 0508 Aug 27 and off air at 0512.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i65-FC1r6dw&feature=youtu.be>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qGqSeURZ41w&feature=youtu.be>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fq9nA5juFz4&feature=youtu.be>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pwp0-goVRX8&feature=youtu.be>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CgcHr59gVjY&feature=youtu.be>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9jWN1PVCU0Q&feature=youtu.be>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

9935, Aug 27 at 0226, VOG is still off this whining frequency, but on 9420 which is only poor now with music.

9935, Sept 1 at 0103, VOG with usual whine atop music, // 9420 without

whine. These had been missing for a couple of nights; weekend variation? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Good evening Glenn: 0103 UT is 0403 Greek Time: perhaps they can't find or don't want to pay for an engineer to run the 9936 and 9420 transmitters on the graveyard shift. This has been happening on many weekends in the past (John Babbis, MD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GREECE. 9420 & 9935, Sept 2 at 0113, VOGs are off again, UT Wed, so it's not only weekends. I have discerned no pattern to their comings and goings (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9420, ERT, Sept. 2 ERT coming in nicely from 1800 UT, S10 444, music and conversation, very slight co-channel interference from Iran, also with music. Signal on 9935, with two hum tones, audible but not unusable. 73s (Marty Delfin (Fuencarral-El Pardo district) Madrid, Spain), Roadstar TRA2350P, telescopic, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Marty's experience in Spain hearing Greece on 9420, with mild interference from Iran, is similar to mine at the same time across the Atlantic, in Eastern Newfoundland. Right now (1845 UT, Wed 2/9/15) Greece is dominating 9420 and I can listen to the music easily and pleasantly but Iran is clearly there behind. Marty has S10 444; I would put it at 434. That's on the MorphyRichards 27024 (and an eight-metre wire out the window). The MR27024 tends to flatten propagation waves somewhat. On the Satellit 750, propagation waves seem deeper, so it is somewhat less listenable, though still good (Philip Hiscock, ibid.)

** GUATEMALA. QSL: 4055, Radio Verdad, TGAV Chiquimula. Received a nice package from the station via registered airmail, with a full data 15th anniversary QSL card with listed power as 900 watts. Also sent religious material, decals, promotion material, a beautiful 8 x 12 inch [pennant (a beauty!). This for a e-mail report, with initial reply within 48 hours, followed with a postal reply in 35 days. V/s Dr. ...dgar Amilcar Madrid, Manager/Director. It is sure nice when you can receive something like this in the mail these days! (Edward Kusalik, Daysland, Alberta, Canada, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** HAWAII. 6501-USB, Aug 31 at 1232, Pacific marine weather info with coordinates, very distorted audio. No ham would allow his SSB to sound like this, but the USCG would: EiBi shows 6501 shared by AK, GU, HI, and VA stations; at this hour, 1200-1235, NMO, Honolulu, site nm which means Maili (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 4970, AIR Shillong, listening between 1230 to 1358, Sept 1. Mostly fair, but at times good; well above the norm; news/sports/stock market info; ads in Hindi; 1236 PSA "Earthquakes can strike anytime.

Are you prepared?"; into show with DJ in English playing pop songs ("What a Feeling," etc.); many local IDs (iNorth Eastern Service of All India Radio). A day of enjoyable listening!

5050, AIR Aizawl, 1220-1225 & 1230, August 30, 31 & Sept 1. Segments in English; mixing with Beibu Bay Radio (China); 1230-1235 with news/sports/stock market info in English, which was // AIR Shillong (4970) // AIR Jeypore (5040); heard almost every day mixing with BBR (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4990, AIR Itanagar, 1339, Sept 2. Thanks to tips from Jose Jacob and Dave Valko, found Itanagar back on the air again; underneath a fairly strong PBS Hunan (China), with subcontinent music; reception only possible when PBS was not playing their usual Chinese Opera. Nice to find their recent absence was not permanent (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 11670, August 15, 2015 at 1929. ALL INDIA RADIO, Male announcer in English with program, iSongs of Yesteryears. ID in English at 1929, iOverseas General Service of All India Radio. Female announcer with the Chinese economic downturn, which affected the Rupee. Audible distortion in AM Mode. SINPO 44444 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, JRC NRD-545, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 3905, RRI Merauke, 1225, August 28. To finish the Jakarta news, played patriotic song iDirgahayu Indonesiaku // 3324.88, RRI Palangkaraya // 4869.88, RRI Wamena. Very nice to find that Merauke has become a regular broadcaster now and is heard daily (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. Aug 27:
Voice of Indonesia in English to WeEu 1900 on 9526 Jakarta Cimanggis
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6bDCtcec9PQ&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Indonesia in English to WeEu 1915 on 9526 Jakarta Cimanggis
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXhNRwWf47s&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Indonesia in English to WeEu 1930 on 9526 Jakarta Cimanggis
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3y9TkXuhY9Y&feature=youtu.be>

Voice of Indonesia in English to WeEu 1945 on 9526 Jakarta Cimanggis
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dyNxgt7UMwI&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

Surprisingly good signal of Voice of Indonesia August 28
1900-2000 9526 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu English weak CRI on 9525
2000-2100 9526 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu French, weak CRI on 9525
2100-2105 9526 JAK 250 kW / 290 deg to WeEu Japanese, unscheduled px
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/surprisingly-good-signal-of-voice-of.html>
73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m.
long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Indonesia English Service --- Date: 30.08.2015; Time UTC:
1300-1400; Frequency: 9525; S10: 544 Good signal; Radio set: Grundig
Yacht Boy 80 (Abid Hussain Sajid, Pakistan DXer, Mailsi, Pakistan,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Indonesia, 9526 heard 2015-08-30 at 2000z in French with
heavy QRM from CRI on 9525. Only parts of the ID audible, so basically
unusable here in Europe while CRI is on the same channel, despite a
reasonably good signal and modulation. If they could and would QSY,
they might certainly win back a few listeners over here which have by
now given up over the useless situation (Snippet attached). (Tobias
[squared], Germany, Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9525.98, VOI, 1311, August 31 (Monday). Clearly an "Exotic Indonesia"
program, with alternate news items switching between Jakarta and
assume Bukittinggi, as it was just last Monday (Aug 24) that I IDed
"97.2 FM, Pro 2 RRI Bukittinggi, West Sumatra." Just as happened in
years gone by, today heard with persistent IADs (intermittent audio
dropouts).

Confirmed schedule, per this from VOI Facebook:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Voice-of-Indonesia/56810636295?ref=nf>

Facebook (Aug 16) - "Stay tuned on Exotic Indonesia, a network program
jointly broadcast by RRI World Service Voice Of Indonesia and RRI
Bukittinggi, West Sumatra, every Monday 14.00-15.00 local time or
07.00-08.00 UTC on <http://english.rriworldservice.com> and 20.00-21.00
or 13.00-14.00 UTC only on <http://www.voi.co.id> and 9525 KHz. Today
RRI Bukittinggi features Museum Perjuangan Tri Daya Eka Darma
Bukittinggi. You can also listen to this program through mobile apps
RRI Play & RRI World Service through your smart phone."

Recall that on Friday (Aug 21), I had positive reception of "Exotic
Indonesia," with chatting between Jakarta and RRI Banjarmasin. But on
Fri (Aug 28), they did NOT carry "Exotic Indonesia," although I found
the following on the same VOI Facebook (August 21) -

"Stay tuned on Exotic Indonesia, a network program jointly broadcast
by RRI World Service Voice Of Indonesia and Pro4 RRI Banjarmasin,

South Kalimantan, every Friday 14.00-15.00 local time or 07.00-08.00 UTC on <http://english.rriworldservice.com> and 20.00-21.00 or 13.00-14.00 UTC only on <http://www.voi.co.id> and 9525 KHz. Today RRI Banjarmasin features Panting Music. You can also listen to this program through mobile apps RRI Play & RRI World Service through your smart phone."

So no longer on their former Tuesday and Thursday schedule? So to sum up, I have found little consistency with the "Exotic Indonesia" scheduling so far. Perhaps over a longer period of time a regular schedule will emerge? (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 9526, Sept 1 at 1404, CRI Russian on 9525 has het from the hi side, only evidence that VOI is active. It'll be a rare day if VOI is ever modulating and signalling strong enough before 1400 to hear it in English (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL. [Logs of various European weather report stations on hi-MW, excerpted from lots more pirates, mostly Greek on the X-band+]:

1674.0, 2204-...	31/7 S Stockholm R, Stavsnäss. E, wx rpt. 15341 CG
1677.0, *2304-2309*	18/8 E Cabo de Peñas R, Cabo de Peñas. Wx rpt. 45444 CG
1696.0, 2200-...	02/8 F CROSS Med La Garde, Fort Ste.-Marguerite. Wx rpt. Usually much stronger. 15341 CG
1698.0, 2307-2309*	18/8 E A Coruña R, A Coruña. Wx rpt. 45444 CG
1704.0, 2145-...	10/8 DNK Lyngby R, Skamlebekk. Wx rpt. 15341 CG
1707.0, 2306-2312*	23/8 E Matxitxako R, Cabo Matxitxako. Wx rpt. 45343 CGS
1797.0, 2208-...	16/8 S Stockholm R, Gislövshammar. Wx rpt 15341 CG
1852.0, 2156-...	22/8 I Palermo R, Baia del Corallo. Wx rpt, also in E for navig. warnings. 35342 CGS
1876.0, 2158-...	22/8 I Lampedusa R, Lampedusa. Wx rpt, also in E for navig. warnings. 25341 CGS
1888.0, 2217-...	08/8 I Civitavecchia R, Civitavecchia. Wx rpt. 25342 CG
1925.0, 2215-...	08/8 I Genova R, Genova. Wx rpt. 25331 CG

(Carlos Gonçalves, Portugal, two different DX locations in SW Portugal, denoted by CG for Lisboa or CGS for SW coast of Portugal:
CG: JRC NRD-545DSP & NRD-93; home made amp. (W7IUV version); 20 m T2FD, 30 m inv. V, 6x19x6 m Ewe 135J, raised, 4 loop KAY

CGS: JRC NRD-545DSP & DRAKE R8-E; Advanced ReceiverResearch amp.; 20 m T2FD, 45 m inv. V, 30 m 180J/0J mini-Bev., 80 m 300J/120J Bev., 200 m 270J/90J Bev., 270 m 145J/325J Bev., 300 m 225J/45J Bev., raised, 4 loop- K9AY; via Play-DX Electronic 31 August via DXLD)

1644.0, 2110-..., 30/8, CANARY ISLANDS, Arrecife R, Montaña de Haría, Wx rpt, also in English for navig. warnings, 35343

1852.0, 2156-..., 22/8, ITALY, Palermo R, Baia del Corallo, Wx rpt, also in English for navigational warnings, 35342, CGS

1876.0, 2158-..., 22/8, ITALY, Lampedusa R, Lampedusa, Wx rpt, also in English for navigational warnings, 25341 (Carlos Gonçalves, SW coast of Portugal, JRC NRD-545DSP & DRAKE R8-E; Advanced ReceiverResearch amp.; 20 m T2FD, 45 m inv. V, 30 m 180°/0° mini-Bev., 80 m 300°/120° Bev., 200 m 270°/, 90° Bev., 270 m 145°/325° Bev., 300 m 225°/45° Bev., raised, 4 loop-K9AY, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INTERNATIONAL. CLANDESTINE, Updated A15 schedule of clandestine & other target broadcasts: Videos of some of these broadcasts are here <<http://youtube.com/user/SWLDXBulgaria>>

Radio República

0000-0200 on 9490 ISS 150 kW / 285 deg to Cuba Spanish, ex 0000-0300

Radio Payam-e-Doost

0230-0315 on 7460 KCH 500 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Farsi

1800-1845 on 7480 KCH 500 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Farsi

Radio Miraya

0300-0600 on 11560 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf English/Arabic

Denge Kurdistan

0300-0500 on 11600 ISS 250 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Kurdish

0500-1415 on 11600 KCH 300 kW / 116 deg to WeAs Kurdish

1415-1700 on 11600 SCB 100 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Kurdish

1700-1900 on 11600 ISS 250 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Kurdish

Radio Tamazuj

0400-0430 on 7315 MDC 250 kW / 320 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

0400-0430 on 11645 SMG 250 kW / 146 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

0400-0430 on 13800 ISS 250 kW / 138 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

1500-1530 on 15150 MDC 250 kW / 340 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

1500-1530 on 15550 SMG 250 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

1500-1530 on 17600 ISS 250 kW / 138 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

Radio Dabanga

0430-0600 on 11645 SMG 250 kW / 146 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

0430-0530 on 13800 MDC 250 kW / 335 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

0530-0600 on 13800 SMG 250 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

1530-1600 on 15150 MDC 250 kW / 340 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

1530-1600 on 15550 SMG 250 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

1600-1630 on 15150 SMG 200 kW / 146 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic
1600-1630 on 15550 SMG 200 kW / 150 deg to EaAf Sudanese Arabic

Radio Dandal Kura

0500-0700 on 7415 ASC 250 kW / 055 deg to WeAf Kanuri
0700-0800 on 15480 WOF 300 kW / 165 deg to WeAf Kanuri
1800-2100 on 11830 ASC 250 kW / 065 deg to WeAf Kanuri

Radio Free Sarawak

1030-1200 on 15425 PUG 250 kW / 280 deg to SEAs Iban Mon-Fri

Suab Xaa Moo Zoo, Voice of Hope

1130-1200 on 11570 TSH 100 kW / 250 deg to SEAs Hmong
2230-2300 on 7530 TSH 100 kW / 250 deg to SEAs Hmong

Voice of Khmer M'Chas Srok

1130-1200 on 17860 DB 200 kW / 125 deg to SEAs Khmer Thu/Sun

Radio ERGO

1200-1300 on 17845 DHA 250 kW / 225 deg to EaAf Somali

Voice of Tibet

1200-1215 on 15542 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese
1215-1230 on 15548 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese

1230-1245 on 15552 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan
1245-1300 on 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan

1300-1315 on 15548 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese
1300-1315 on 15563 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan

1315-1330 on 15543 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese
1315-1330 on 15567 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan

1330-1345 on 15537 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese
1330-1345 on 15568 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan

1345-1400 on 15537 DB 100 kW / 095 deg to EaAs Chinese
1345-1400 on 15562 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan

1400-1415 on 15543 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan
1400-1415 on 15525 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan Tue/Thu/Sat
1400-1415 on 15565 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan Mo/We/Fr/Su

1415-1430 on 15548 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan
1415-1430 on 15530 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan Tue/Thu/Sat
1415-1430 on 15560 MDC 250 kW / 045 deg to CeAs Tibetan Mo/We/Fr/Su

2300-2315 on 7592 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan
2315-2330 on 7598 DB 100 kW / 131 deg to CeAs Tibetan
All frequencies are jammed by China on xxxx0 / xxxx5
Changes between frequencies vary from 5 to 7 minutes

Que Me
1200-1230 on 9930 HBN 100 kW / 318 deg to EaAs Vietnamese Fri

Radio Free North Korea
1230-1330 on 15640 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean

Nippon no Kaze
1300-1330 on 9950 TSH 100 kW / 002 deg to NEAs Korean
1500-1530 on 9975 HBN 100 kW / 345 deg to NEAs Korean
1530-1600 on 9965 HBN 100 kW / 345 deg to NEAs Korean

Voice of Wilderness (BVB)
1300-1400 on 11860 PUG 125 kW / 010 deg to NEAs Korean
1400-1430 on 11860 PUG 125 kW / 010 deg to NEAs Korean Sun
1900-2000 on 7375 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean
2000-2030 on 7375 DB 100 kW / 071 deg to NEAs Korean Sat

Radio Free Chosun
1300-1500 on 11570 TAC 100 kW / 070 deg to NEAs Korean

Furusato no Kaze
1330-1400 on 9950 TSH 100 kW / 002 deg to NEAs Japanese
1430-1500 on 9960 HBN 100 kW / 345 deg to NEAs Japanese
1600-1630 on 9960 HBN 100 kW / 345 deg to NEAs Japanese

Shiokaze Sea Breeze
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Mon
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Chinese Tue
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Wed
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs English Thu
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Fri
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Sat
1330-1400 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Sun
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Mon
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Tue
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Wed
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs English Thu
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Fri
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Sat
1400-1430 on 6020 YAM 100 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Sun

1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Mon
1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Chinese Tue

1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Wed
1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs English Thu
1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Fri
1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Sat
1600-1630 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Sun
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Mon
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Tue
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Wed
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs English Thu
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Fri
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Japanese Sat
1630-1700 on 5985 YAM 300 kW / 280 deg to NEAs Korean Sun

North Korea Reform Radio

1430-1530 on 11550 PUG 125 kW / 010 deg to NEAs Korean

Radio Warra Wangeelaa-ti, Union of Oromo Evangelical Churches of Europe

1500-1530 on 15515 TIG 150 kW / 165 deg to EaAf Oromo Sat

Radio Abisinia

1600-1800 on 15470 TIG 150 kW / 165 deg to EaAf Amharic Sat

Radio Xoriyo

1600-1630 on 17630 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Somali Tue/Sat
1600-1630 on 17870 ISS 500 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Somali Mon/Fri
Transmissions are jammed by Ethiopia with white noise digital jamming

Oromo Voice Radio, Raadiyoo Sagalee Oromoo

1600-1615 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Mon
1615-1630 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf English Mon
1600-1630 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Wed/Sat
Transmissions are jammed by Ethiopia with white noise digital jamming

Radio Ranginkaman/Radio Rainbow

1600-1630 7575 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri till Sept. 18
1600-1630 15630 SCB 050 kW / 090 deg WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri till Sept. 18
1700-1730 7575 TAC 100 kW / 236 deg WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri from Sept. 21
1700-1730 9990 SCB 050 kW / 090 deg WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri from Sept. 21
or alt. 11590 SCB 050 kW / 090 deg WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri from Sept. 21

Voice of Martyrs

1600-1730 on 7505 TAC 100 kW / 070 deg to NEAs Korean

Dimtse Radio Erena

1700-1730 on 11855 SOF 050 kW / 195 deg to EaAf Afar/Oromo

Voice of Khaatumo, Codka Khaatumo

1700-1730 on 17580 ISS 250 kW / 120 deg to EaAf Somali Mon-Fri, ex
Tue-Thu

Voice of Oromo Liberation

1700-1730 on 17630 NAU 250 kW / 135 deg to EaAf Oromo Wed
1730-1800 on 17630 NAU 100 kW / 135 deg to EaAf Amharic Wed
1700-1800 on 17630 ISS 100 kW / 125 deg to EaAf Amharic Sun
Transmissions are jammed by Ethiopia with white noise digital jamming

Radio Assenna

1700-1800 on 15245 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Mon/Thu/Sat

Eritrean Forum, EYSC Medrek

1700-1800 on 15245 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Tigrinya Tue/Fri/Sun
1700-1800 on 15245 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Arabic Wed
1800-1900 on 15245 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Arabic Sat

Radio Inyabutatu

1800-1900 on 17605 ISS 100 kW / 144 deg to SoAf K'rwanda Sat

Radio Biafra

1800-2000 on 15560 ISS or unknown site to WeAf English

Lutheran World Federation, Voice of Gospel (Sawtu Linjilia)
1830-1900 on 15315 ISS 500 kW / 180 deg to WCAF Fulfulde

Stream of Praise Music Ministries

2100-2130 on 7530 TSH 100 kW / 250 deg to EaAs Cantonese/Chinese

CMN Cambodia Media Network Radio

2300-2330 on 7510 DB 200 kW / 125 deg to SEAs Khmer Sun/Tue/Thu

Inactive at present transmissions:

Radio Dialogue FM, no signal from May 21
1600-1657 on 12115 MDC 250 kW / 265 deg to ZWE English/Shona/Ndebele

Radio Imara, Radio Impala, no signal from May 18
1802-1857 on 17540 MDC 250 kW / 310 deg to SoAf K'rwanda/En/Fr M/W/F

Sagalee Radio Risala-ti, Radio Risala International, no signal from May 22
1830-1900 on 21620 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Fri (DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

** IRAN. 1278, August 28, 2015 at 2112, IRIB RADIO KERMANSHAH, Male announcer in Farsi, with discussion of Qur'an. SINPO 44344.

1332, August 28, 2015 at 2115, IRIB RADIO TEHRAN, Male and female announcers in Farsi, in discussion. Sounded like drama. SINPO 44344 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, AOR AR-5000A PLUS 3, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. 7205, August 15, 2015 at 1937. VOIRI. Male announcer in Italian. ID in Italian at 1937. Female announcer, with discussion about humanitarian crisis in the Middle East. Weak/suppressed audio despite strong carrier showing S9 +40. SINPO 55543 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, JRC NRD-545, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN. 9512.2, Aug 27 at 0227, very poor carrier with flutter, presumed Zahedan, IRIB Arabic service scheduled 0030-0230 on 9510. Not much crap out of 9535 RHC tonight; I've tuned across this before but didn't think to precise the frequency until saw this tip from John Cooper, PA in the NASWA Flashesheet:

``9511.5, IRAN. VOIRI-Zahedan, (T), at 0145, on 21 Aug. The station is off frequency from its scheduled frequency of 9510. A male speaker is talking in Arabic. There is a momentary break at 0147 followed by more talk. Poor''

Very likely the same Zahedan transmitter for 9410 at 1700-0030, often reported off-frequency hetting Greece (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Also 0230-0530 on 11662.2 instead of nominal 11660, confirmed at 0510 UT Aug 27 - video with weak signal
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OONW2CC6i9M&feature=youtu.be>
But from 0530 on nominal 15750 also Zahedan
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DXLD)

Could be the other 500 kW Zahedan transmitter from 0530; they have two per WRTH. No other transmission after 0530 (gh, DXLD)

Re 9420 - Zahedan odd frequency. IRIB Zahedan Arabic on 9421.610 kHz (Wolfgang Bischel, 1844 UT Aug 27, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. 9740, Sept 2 at 0119, open carrier, 0121 some JBA talk, and music past 0130. In this case it must be VIRI as sked in Urdu 0120-0220, 250 kW, 84 degrees from Ahwaz; rather than R. Sultanate of Oman extending its 22-24 frequency, despite not hearing it on 9500 or 15140. It's probably on the latter, not propagating (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAQ. ISIS RADIO STATION ATTACKED INSIDE MOSUL
<http://rudaw.net/english/middleeast/iraq/30082015>

ERBIL, Kurdistan Region ó Two anonymous gunmen launched a hit-and-run attack on an Islamic State radio station inside Mosul, the group's stronghold, a Kurdish official said Saturday.

Saeed Mamuzini, the Kurdistan Democratic Party (KDP) spokesman for Mosul, told Rudaw that ISIS immediately after the attack set up a series of checkpoints inside the city to hunt the two assailants.

îThe attack didn't cause any casualties, and none of the assailants were injured,î Mamuzini said.

Al-Bayan radio network airs a news/talk format and broadcasts in Arabic, Kurdish, English, French and Russian. The ISIS radio station has been framed as ihighly professionalî and compared to NPR and the BBC for tone and quality.

Early in April ISIS launched English-language radio news bulletins on Al-Bayan. Al-Bayan's reporting on the group's military operations and propaganda has been referenced by the Associated Press and the Washington Post.

The group also publishes a monthly online English-language magazine called Dabiq, with religious lessons, plus news about its activities. The magazine is concerned with establishing the religious legitimacy of the terror group and its self-proclaimed caliphate (via JosÈ Miguel Romero2, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRELAND. 12255.0, 2040-..., 30/8 [Sunday], Reflections Europe - pirate, E, rlgs. propag. pxs. // 6295 adj. uty. QRM, 35343 (Carlos GonÁlves, SW coast of Portugal, JRC NRD-545DSP & DRAKE R8-E; Advanced ReceiverResearch amp.; 20 m T2FD, 45 m inv. V, 30 m 180J/0J mini-Bev., 80 m 300J/120J Bev., 200 m 270J/, 90J Bev., 270 m 145J/325J Bev., 300 m 225J/45J Bev., raised, 4 loop-K9AY, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ITALY. WOR via IRRS 846 kHz: same as last week, WOR starts Sunday night at 2104z and is faded out for some other program at 2115z (snippet attached, again suffering from heavy QRN and QSB). (Tobias [squared], Germany, Aug 31, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST) WORLD OF RADIO fragments via Challenger Radio: see also USA [non]

** ITALY. The next test broadcast of Marconi Radio International is scheduled tomorrow, 29th August 2015, from approximately 1230 to 1430 UT. Our frequency is 11390 kHz and power in the region of 30 watts. Test broadcasts consist of non stop music and station identification announcements in Italian, English, Spanish and Catalan.

MRI encourages reception reports from listeners. Audio clips (mp3-file) of our broadcasts are welcome!

We QSL 100%. Our E-mail address is:

marconiradiointernational@gmail.com

We hope that you will share this information with your members. Thank you very much for your cooperation (Marconi Radio International (MRI), DX LISTENING DIGEST

11389.61, 1340-1355 Sat 29.8, R Marconi International testing (very tentative) very weak carrier with ann and pop music, but too weak to catch the language or titles, 15211 AP-DNK Best 73, (Anker Petersen, heard in Skovlunde on the AOR, AR7030PLUS with 28 metres of longwire, via Dario Monferini, playdx yg via DXLD)

** ITALY [non] /ROMANIA, IRRS Shortwave relay United Nations News, instead of Radio City: 1800-1900 on 7290 TIG 150 kW / 290 deg to WeEu English Friday, August 28, videos

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-pd-FV0cBac&feature=youtu.be>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DcL0nsPvojI&feature=youtu.be>

73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KASHMIR. Station sounding like Radio Kashmir, Srinagar was heard today 31 Aug 2015 on 4950 around 0050 UT. This station was off air at this time for morning transmissions for many months now. It used to be heard lately around 1330 UT for about half an hour only. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, Hyderabad, India Mobile: +91 94416 96043, <http://www.qsl.net/vu2jos> dx_india yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

Latest monitoring observations show that Radio Kashmir, Srinagar is on air on SW for more hours than in recent times. 4950 has been heard at around 0100, 1500 UT etc. at poor level. Yours sincerely, (Jose Jacob, VU2JOS, National Institute of Amateur Radio, 0317 UT Sept 2, ibid.)

4950 AIR Radio Kashmir, Srinagar (presumed), on past 1449, Sept 2. Recently staying on the air much longer than normal; well past usual sign off of about 1400; only open carrier today with no audio (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. It was great to catch up with fellow ARDXC members yesterday at the 50th anniversary of the club. It was also a pleasure to talk about my North Korean project. I spoke to a lot of members at the meeting who were fascinated by my undercover inside North Korea study of the mass media and broadcast infrastructure and content, and as promised here are some links to further information about my

project - "Behind the Curtain".

An article about the project on Mashable:

<http://mashable.com/2014/07/22/life-inside-strangest-nation-on-earth/>

An hour of me speaking in New York at the HOPEX event (a hacking, technology and counterculture festival) describing the project and content.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_HXPm-PN1g

A 37 minute interview with Kurt Achin - (ex CNN, VOA etc) describing the motivation, techniques used to gather content, content etc.

<https://soundcloud.com/nknews-org-podcast/nkn-015-behind-the-curtain-north-korea-as-multimedia>

The project website (overdue for a bit of a refresh)

<http://www.behindthecurtain.asia>

Thanks for your interest! Cheers, (Mark Fahey (ARDXC member 665) @realmarkfahey ARDXC mailing list via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. TO JAR NORTH, SOUTH KOREA USED A POP-MUSIC BARRAGE

<http://mobile.nytimes.com/2015/08/31/world/asia/south-koreas-pop-music-barrage-rattles-north.html>

South Korean soldiers installing loudspeakers this year at an undisclosed location near the line that divides North and South
[caption] By CHOE SANG-HUN August 30, 2015

SEOUL, South Korea -- Chirpy bubble-gum harmonies bop across the desolate Demilitarized Zone. "Look at me, I'm your genie, your dream, your genie," the K-pop band Girls' Generation beckons as grim-faced soldiers patrol the border.

In what might be called the Hello Kitty offensive, the relentlessly upbeat girl group, a sugary confection better known for its hot-pants choreography than political statements, has become the latest weapon in the Korean cold war.

The group's hit "Genie" was among the barrage of pop songs and polemics South Korea blasted across the border this month, driving North Korea to the point of firing artillery and massing troops on the border.

If the latest standoff between North and South Korea proved anything, it is that old-school propaganda, juiced up with a synthesized K-pop beat, still has the power to get under the skin of North Korea's

leadership. Turn off the loudspeakers, the North warned, or face "all-out war."

In the age of mass media, government-controlled in the hermetic North, and the Internet, which is banned there, the Cold-War style playing of antagonistic recordings through batteries of loudspeakers remains a provocative act here, largely because both sides deem it so.

For North Korea's young leader, Kim Jong-un, the broadcasts puncture, if only slightly, the media blackout in his totalitarian state, where people are supposed to worship him as a demigod, listen only to government broadcasts and have no access to the Internet.

"They are an unbearable insult to his pride because they tell front-line North Korean troops, most of them sons of the elites, what they are not supposed to hear," said Shim Jin-sup, a retired psychological warfare officer in the South Korean military. "They help undermine the total information blackout in the North, Kim's dignity and the very foundation of his regime."

For the South, they fall under the military's psychological warfare operations, a bloodless escalation to be deployed in the endless pattern of provoke-negotiate-repeat that has characterized North-South relations since the Korean War ended 60 years ago.

The South's Defense Ministry says that the broadcasts advertise the "superiority of a free democracy," the "happy life of South Koreans" and the "true reality of North Korea," as well as news about the outside world. The pop songs, which also included hits by the feathery-voiced chanteuse IU and the macho-ish boy-band Bigbang, were aimed at giving North Koreans get a taste of South Korean youth culture, the ministry said.

"We do this so that North Koreans can learn that the world is changing," Kim Min-seok, a ministry spokesman, said in a briefing. "We believe this helps significantly improve human rights of the North."

Officials say that depending on the weather and other conditions, the broadcasts can travel up to 12 miles over the border, reaching mostly North Korean border guards but also some front-line villages.

Stung by the international news media's characterization of the broadcasts as propaganda, the Defense Ministry insisted that they be referred to instead as a "voice of hope."

"If propaganda attempts to change the other side through distorted and exaggerated facts, what we do is not propaganda," Kim Min-seok, the ministry spokesman, said.

These "voices of hope" include calling Kim Jong-un "childish" and "lacking confidence," according to military officials who heard the recording.

"Kim Jong-un's incompetent regime is trying to cheat the world with absurd lies," was another, according to a snippet captured by a South Korean cable channel.

"Soldiers of the Korean People's Army!" one recording said. "Don't waste your beautiful youth for the North Korean dictatorship but rise up against it!"

Not to be outdone, the North began broadcasting its own propaganda, but its decrepit sound system, handicapped by the country's spotty electricity, went largely unheard on the South Korean side, South Korean officials said.

Emblematic of the two countries' relative economic health, the fences on the South Korean side are ablaze with blinding lights at night to detect infiltrators, while the North is shrouded in darkness.

Dueling propaganda loudspeakers are hardly new. Germany and France exchanged loudspeaker taunts across their front lines in World War II.

Music joined the arsenal as early as the 1960s, when the East blasted Russian martial tunes over the Berlin Wall and the West answered variously with Dixieland and noise trucks.

The Koreas have harangued each other at the border since 1962, with North Korean loudspeakers urging southerners to defect to the "socialist paradise," a "country with no taxes," and on the south side a giant electric billboard flashing the number of cars in "Free South Korea."

Both sides deployed female voices, echoing over the hills day and night, to lure border soldiers to defect.

Even after the North's economy collapsed in the 1990s, the loudspeaker war raged, until 2004 when, during a period of improved relations, both sides agreed to desist.

The speakers remained off until Aug. 10, when the South flicked them back on in response to the wounding of two soldiers by land mines that Seoul said were planted by the North.

If Kim Jong-un feared that his troops, spellbound by the synthesized siren-call of K-pop girl groups, would mutiny, that did not happen.

More likely, the broadcasts mainly prick his cult of personality.

In the North Korean textbooks, Mr. Kim's grandfather, Kim Il-sung, single-handedly liberated Korea from Japanese colonial rule. He could turn sand into rice and pine cones into grenades, according to North Korean books and animations. Mr. Kim's father, Kim Jong-il, held 1,200 titles, including "the Guardian of the Earth."

Mr. Kim, whose favorite title is "the supreme dignity," has executed generals for offenses as minor as dozing off in his presence. His uncle was executed for, among other crimes, "halfheartedly clapping his hands" when Mr. Kim entered a conference hall.

Loudspeakers from across the border represent one of the few public channels of information he cannot control. The United States-sponsored Radio Free Asia is another. Activists also regularly organize balloon drops, sending hydrogen balloons across the border carrying transistor radios, antigovernment leaflets, and DVDs and computer memory sticks loaded with South Korean movies and soap operas.

"What makes the loudspeakers so exasperating and infuriating for North Korea is that you can't do anything about them, except having to listen to them or plug your ears," said Jang Hae-sung, a former North Korean journalist.

But beyond provoking Mr. Kim, it is unclear whether they have much effect.

"Other than episodic cases of defectors who claimed to have defected after listening to the broadcasts or reading leaflets, there is no evidence whatsoever that they are helping North Koreans develop a resistance against their system or a yearning for the South," said Yang Moo-jin, an analyst at the University of North Korean Studies in Seoul. "They only incite the North into boosting their ideological education and animosity toward the South."

The speakers were turned off again on Tuesday, after the two sides reached an agreement, in exchange for a rare, face-saving expression of "regret" by North Korea over the Southern soldiers' injuries. The South retained the option of turning them on again if provoked (via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. Radio Free Chosun (Uzbekistan Relay) 11570, 1357 31 AUG - (CLANDESTINE) in KOREAN from TASHKENT. SINPO = 15211. Korean, female announcer, 1357z musical interlude female vocalist. single pip 1400z. Music continues then female announcer. sf91.1, a5, k2, geomag: quiet. 100 kW, beamAz 70 , bearing 356 . Sangean ATS505 with Kaito KA33 in west facing window. Received at Las Vegas, United States,

11438 km from transmitter at Tashkent. Local time: 0657 (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 5985.0 (ex: 6020), Shiokaze/Sea Breeze via Yamata (Japan), brief check at 1332, Sept 1. Switched to one of their alternate frequencies to temporarily avoid the N. Korean jamming; on schedule with Tuesday's stilted Chinese; at 1403 noted in Korean, again conforming to schedule; mixing badly with Myanmar also on 5985.0, which was mostly fair before Shiokaze's 1330 sign on. Now that 6020 is free of them, will again be possible to hear VOV4 (Vietnam) in the clear, once the jamming catches up with Shiokaze on 5985 (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [and non]. The station in Korean on 6015 kHz and jammed by noise jammer registered in WRTH as KBS is not with the same program as of KBS in Korean in times 1600-1900, so maybe this is radio Liberty for Korea? Is there updated info about the names of the stations in Korean on 6015, 6135 and 6250 kHz? 73s, (Rumen Pankov, 31 Aug 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH. 6135, Voice of Freedom (clandestine), 1450, Aug 27. Again heard over the normally present white noise jamming by N. Korea, played their theme music - "We Shall Overcome" (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA SOUTH [and non]. 6134.997 KRE [North]; 6135.007 KOR [South], weaker signal, 0915 UT (Wolfgang Bischel, some North American logs, Sept 1 at 0900-1015 UT, of Alberta and KY / NJ / NY / MA remote SDR's, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KUWAIT. 1593, August 28, 2015 at 2124, RADIO SAWA, Female and Male announcers in Arabic, with world news. Discussion of Egyptian economy. SINPO 44444 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, AOR AR-5000A PLUS 3, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LITHUANIA. 9400, Sept 2 at 0113, S4 signal in central Asian language, i.e. IBB in Uighur, 01-02, 100 kW, 79 degrees via Sitkunai, per HFCC; i.e. Radio Free Asia, and *jammed per Aoki by the ChiCom but none of that heard (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MADAGASCAR. Madagascar World Voice: I guess they will be probably on air at year end 2015 or spring 2016?

7400	0200-0300	13,12,14,15	MWV	100	250	218	Osp	MWV	WCB	South Africa
7405	0300-0400	13,12	MWV	100	265	218	Osp	MWV	WCB	South Africa
9445	0100-0200	41	MWV	100	40	218	Eng	MWV	WCB	FarEast
9475	0400-0500	47,48,46	MWV	100	295	218	Eng	MWV	WCB	all African

9515 1800-1900 29 MWV 100 355 218 Orv MWV WCB EaEUR Russia
9570 2200-2300 43,44 MWV 100 55 218 Cmn MWV WCB China
11720 1900-2000 39,38 MWV 100 355 218 Ara MWV WCB NoAfrica
11720 2100-2200 28,27 MWV 100 325 218 Cmn MWV WCB Europe
11720 2200-2300 37,38 MWV 100 325 218 Ara MWV WCB Middle East
15450 2000-2100 38,37 MWV 100 340 218 Ara MWV WCB NoAfrica
17550 1800-1900 48,47,37,46 MWV 100 310 218 Eng MWV WCB all African
(Rich Blair, UK, NWDXC Aug 28 via BC-DX 31 Aug via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 9835, RTM Sarawak FM, via Kajang, heard in Japan at 2002-2012, Aug 20, iAzuraî Jamal Abdillah, ID, iSeribu Tahunî Imran Ajmain, good conditions are standard airwaves almost every day at my location, 45444 (Tomoaki Wagai, Wakayama, Japan, DSWCI DX Window Sept 2 via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA [and non]. Special Malay report for Litohoron and Fourka Chalkidiki 25-7 to 26-8

Please reply to zliangas@yahoo.com and look at my book Malaysia 25 Years Survey <http://goo.gl/Pi87gp>

I was in my parents' house in Litohoron from 1st of July till 11 August and then from 13/8 till 26/8 on Fourkain, a relative's house. Here is just the info retrieved from nearly everyday reception of Malay language stations:

11665, Wai can be heard as early as 12 till 1400 when CRI enters the freq but signal is below marginal (1200) to poor/fair in best cases

9835, Sarawak has been heard from ca 1600 or better 1900 till 2020 the time IRIB starts its Albanian program with signals of S9+20 or more till 2120. In Litohoron most times after 2120, CNR on 9830 has good signal that interferes to Sarawak FM, sometimes with signal more than 20 db signal of Sarawak returns to good most days after 22 or 23 till fadeouts after 00 or 01 depending on propagation. In Fourka the signal was generally very low with nearly no QRM from CNR on 9830. But IRIB still damages reception. There was program from Klassik Nasional on 7/8.

21670, R Saudi International was heard generally with good signals most times.

9525, RRI has been logged from 19/8 with fair signals (Fourka) Unknown of it was avail before that time.

15425, for R Free Sarawak, was inaudible on any of these two places (Litohoron is much better than Fourka as it has a more direct propagation. Fourka has a mountain that reduces the signal from east)

My radio related e-books

<https://www.scribd.com/collections/7127419/Mini-publications>

my radio shack: <http://goo.gl/MHAHJ1>

all my pages : http://delicious.com/gr_greek1/zak

(Zacharias Liangas, Greece, Aug 28, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALAYSIA. This weekend there have been major anti-government protests ("Bersih4") in Malaysia. Therefore I was monitoring RTM stations for something out of the ordinary.

August 30, from 1306 to 1338, heard significant "Merdeka Day" message delivered live by embattled Prime Minister Datuk Seri Najib Razak, on 6050 (Asyik FM) // 9835 (Sarawak FM) // 11665 (Wai FM), all via Kajang; mostly in vernacular, but with some words and phrases in English; "Ladies and gentlemen. Indeed, indeed we will never allow anyone from within or from outside, to simply walk in and steal, ruin or destroy all that we have built so far," "sustainable growth with equity," "domestic economy," "colleges and universities," and was speaking out against the protesters; after 1338 no longer //.

<https://app.box.com/s/bhwcb3u0h26911sjelnqnldzelj24lbq>
contains my audio.

"Merdeka Day" - August 31, 1957 was the day that the Federation of Malaya gained its independence from British colonization; is a national holiday, with celebrations leading up to September 16 - "Malaysia Day," which commemorates the establishment of the Malaysian federation on the same date in 1963. It marked the joining together of Malaya, North Borneo, Sarawak, and Singapore to form Malaysia. .

Would imagine that Radio Free Sarawak (15425 kHz from 1030 to 1200 UT) tomorrow (Monday - Aug 31) will have a lot to say about all the activities of the weekend (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 5995.0, 2132-2147 17/8, R. Mali, Kati. Talks, seemingly in vernacular, talks. Extremely weak modulation: useless signal. 55433 (Carlos GonÁlves, SW coast of Portugal, JRC NRD-545DSP & NRD-93; home made amp. (W7IUV version); 20 m T2FD, 30 m inv. V, 6x19x6 m Ewe 135J, raised, 4 loop KAY, via Play-DX Electronic 31 August, via DXLD)

9635.0, 1051-1346 25/8, R. Mali, Kati. Tribal songs. Modulation level variable between zero and barely audible. 25442 (Carlos GonÁlves, SW coast of Portugal, JRC NRD-545DSP & DRAKE R8-E; Advanced ReceiverResearch amp.; 20 m T2FD, 45 m inv. V, 30 m 180J/0J mini-Bev., 80 m 300J/120J Bev., 200 m 270J/90J Bev., 270 m 145J/325J Bev., 300 m 225J/45J Bev., raised, 4 loop- K9AY; via Play-DX Electronic 31 August

via DXLD)

** MALI. Aug 26: CRI in English to CeAf 1510 on 17630 Bamako
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iVNkWL7qgca&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 690, XEMA, La Mejor, Fresnillo, Zacatecas. 1059 August 22, 2015. Anthem from 1059, male at 1101, "XEMA... la 6-90, la Mejor..." (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 770, XEACH, Radio FÙrmula, Monterrey, Nuevo LeÛn. 1059 August 29, 2015. Anthem beginning right at tune-in, male ID, morning greetings. Poor (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 830, XEITE, Radio Capital, MÈxico DF. 1050 August 30, 2015. "8-30" reference into Prince "Purple Rain" then male canned, "M'sica en Capital 8-30" into ABBA "The Winner Takes It All." Just a few seconds ahead of their station stream. "Radio Capital, 8-30 AM... digital... vatios de potencia en la capital de MÈxico..." into anthem from 1058 (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 870, Aug 31 at 1205 UT, non-Spanish language mentions Guachochi, pronounces call XETAR as in Spanish, Secretarìa de Salud PSA in Spanish. So this indigenous Chihuahuan is again audible around sunrise here, but soon fades (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 880, Aug 28 at 0556, XE NA with KRVN nulled, and tnx to dead air from KHAC-USB. 0557 ID for XEPNK and a similar FM call, plug Radio MÈxico network. This is Los Mochis, Sinaloa, 10/2 kW, surpassing 24h NSP XEV Chihuahua if it's really on, 5/0.25 kW per IRCA Mexican Log (Glenn Hauser, oK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 900, XEW, W Radio, MÈxico DF. 1107 August 30, 2015. Starship "Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now" then male canned, "W, W Radio" at 1109 into Taylor Swift "Blank Space" and female "W Radio" into "All That She Wants" by Ace Of Base. Excellent (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Last night, I had a good shot at XEQ 940 including a full ID from 1:15 [into this file]:
http://www.quebecdx.com/mp3/mexico_xeq_940b.mp3 (08-28-2015 03:58 UT)

This time, frequency was quite at nominal, even a few Hz above I would say (1 to 5 Hz according to the current calibration, which might need

a refresh). (Sylvain Naud, Portneuf, QC, Perseus + 105m / 350 ft short Beverage NE-SW, Aug 28, IRCA mailing list via DXLD)

I noticed XEQ huge on my Tecsun ultralight at 1 am [0500 UT] Saturday morning when I arrived at Burnt River for a quick overnight stay (am now back in Toronto), and that it seemed very much back on channel, where it's supposed to be. This will make 940 much more bearable to listen to if XEQ is truly fixed.

Also had Mexico on 1060 and presumed with weak Spanish bubbling on 1110. I had to be up for a 9 am hike this morning so didn't work the dials much more than this. Conditions are no doubt ramping up for the coming season (Saul Chernos, Burnt River ON, Aug 29, NRC-AM via DXLD)

Over the past couple nights, 940 XEQ has been good here at my Nashua NH monitoring post too. Although XEQ now uses the "Ke Buena" slogan, the program "Los Amos del Camino" is still broadcast overnight, heard with live program ID's accompanied by tractor trailer airhorn sound effects.

This morning at dawn, caught 660 XEAR "La Mexicana" under WFAN New York, 1000 UT, canned ID by shouting man with reverb and Mexican music (banda, ranchera, etc.). Earlier, also noted 730 XEX with its TDW Morse code ID.

Still reviewing overnight SDR RF spectrum captures for more potential Mexican signals, in particular possible 690, 760, 780, 1060, and 1140 among others. Good conditions with low noise and enhancement by a geomagnetic disturbance. ñ (Bruce Conti, Aug 29, mwdx yg via DXLD)

** MEXICO. 970, Aug 31 at 1207 UT, ranchera music, roughly SW/NE; splatter from local 960 KGWA worse than usual. XEJ Ju·rez was ranchera, but long gone. Could be any one of another Chihuahuan, Sonoran or Sinaloan. 1213 announcement but fading out (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1000, XEOY Radio Mil, MÈxico DF. 1115 August 30, 2015. End of Spanish ballad, "Radio Mil" by man, into another ballad. This and XEW 900 are consistently the last of the Mexicans to hold forth post sunrise here (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. RADIO 13: MENTIRAS DEL CONCESIONARIO
Milenio - Fernando MejÌa Barquera - 27.08.2015

En abril de este aÒo, Radio 13 (1290 KHz en el Distrito Federal) dejÛ de transmitir porque, seg'n su concesionario, Carlos QuiÒones Armend·riz, la banda de AM iya no es negocio¡. AsÌ lo expuso en su

cuenta de Twitter el 31 de mayo: ¡La salida del aire de Radio Trece 1290 AM. Se debe estrictamente a temas financieros, no hay mercado para AM¡.

El 30 de junio publicó una carta dirigida a Enrique Peña Nieto, Miguel Ángel Osorio Chong, Gerardo Ruiz Esparza, al Congreso de la Unión, a la Suprema Corte de Justicia y a todos los comisionados del Instituto Federal de Telecomunicaciones (Ifetel), en la que reiteró su percepción sobre la crisis de la AM (es obsoleta, no hay presupuestos para publicidad, no hay audiencia; la calidad del sonido es mala) y pidió una frecuencia de FM.

FUERA DEL AIRE

La pregunta que surgió en ese momento fue si el señor Quiñones pidió al Ifetel autorización para sacar del aire a Radio 13 y, sobre todo, cuál fue su argumentación, porque el artículo 157 de la Ley Federal de Telecomunicaciones y Radiodifusión (LFTR) no considera entre las causas para dejar de transmitir el hecho de que la AM esté en crisis. Según ese artículo:

El concesionario (ó) tiene la obligación de garantizar la continuidad del servicio público de radiodifusión, por lo que no podrá suspender sus transmisiones, salvo por hecho fortuito o causa de fuerza mayor. El concesionario deberá justificar ante el Instituto (ó): I. La causa que lo originó; II. El uso, en su caso, de un equipo de emergencia, y III. La fecha prevista para la normalización del servicio.

FALLAS TÉCNICAS

Al notificar al Ifetel la interrupción de transmisiones, Quiñones adujo fallas técnicas; nunca mencionó la crisis en AM. Sobre este asunto, a pregunta expresa, la Unidad de Transparencia del Ifetel respondió:

Mediante escrito de fecha 4 de mayo de 2015, Carlos de Jesús Quiñones Armendáriz, concesionario de la frecuencia 1290 kHz, estación de radio con distintivo de llamada XEDA-AM de México, Distrito Federal, hizo del conocimiento de este Instituto que el día viernes 1 de mayo de 2015 se suspendieron transmisiones, indicando que debido a una fuerte variación en el voltaje se quemó la línea principal de acometida de energía eléctrica y dañó los aparatos de regulación de voltaje y calibración de equipos, así como parte de la fuente de alimentación del equipo transmisor; señalando que la normalización del servicio tendrá lugar como fecha máxima el 15 de mayo de 2015.

Es decir, públicamente, en su Twitter y en la carta, el concesionario dijo una cosa, pero al Ifetel le dijo otra.

JUICIO PERDIDO

El Ifetel respondió al concesionario el 18 de junio que, en tanto Éste no le había notificado sobre la reanudación de transmisiones, le requería que en un plazo no mayor a 10 días hábiles informara cuando se reiniciarán.

El 6 de julio de 2015 obtuvo la respuesta del concesionario informó que la jueza Vigésimo Séptimo de lo Civil del H. Tribunal Superior de Justicia del Distrito Federal, dentro de la sentencia definitiva dictada al Juicio de Controversia de Arrendamiento seguido por ALDES MEX SA de CV, contra el GRUPO RADIO TRECE NACIONAL SA de CV, ANTES RADIO NOTICIAS 1290, condenó a la parte demandada a desocupar y entregar el inmueble en el que se encontraba instalada la planta de transmisión de la radiodifusora que nos ocupa y que a efecto de dar cumplimiento a la sentencia antes citada se procedió a iniciar la desinstalación de los equipos y enseres necesarios para la transmisión completando dichos trabajos el 27 de mayo del año en curso y solicita se autorice la operación y transmisión de la estación.

Lo anterior no se conocía públicamente: a Radio 13 se le condenó a desocupar el inmueble donde estaba su transmisor y pidió difundir desde sus estudios. Lo que evitó decir al Ifetel es que lo haría por internet o así lo hace actualmente o no, como lo obliga su concesión, a través del espectro radioeléctrico.

CONCESIÓN EN RIESGO

¿Cuál es la situación actual de Radio 13? Respuesta del Ifetel: El Instituto no ha otorgado autorización alguna en materia de suspensión de transmisiones de la referida frecuencia concesionada, se encuentra en análisis a efecto de resolver lo conducente. El artículo 157 de la LFTR dice en su último párrafo: La persistencia de la suspensión del servicio más allá de los plazos autorizados podrá dar lugar a las sanciones correspondientes y, en su caso, a la revocación de la concesión.

La de Radio 13 concluye, según registro del Ifetel, el 2 de julio de 2016. Si Carlos Quiñones quiere refrenderla y luego aspirar a una frecuencia de FM tendría que volver a transmitir de inmediato, pero en los 1290 KHz, no en internet. Claro, si el Ifetel no decide antes revocar la concesión (vía Carlos J. V., México, vía Juan Franco Crespo, España, DXLD)

** MEXICO. 1300, Aug 28 at 0546.4 UT, timecheck in Spanish for 11:45; loops WSW, music. Only two XEs are in the summer UT -6 zone, XEJL in Sinaloa, 1000/250 watts; and XEP Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua, 38000/200

watts, but the latter often heard here with suspected day power at night. However, it soon lost out to the CCI. No US SS stations in the UT -6 zone according to the 2015 NRC AM Log, but some Texans in UT -5. Assuming the TC is only a sesquiminute off instead of an hour off. No, the Mexican NA can be heard at 0602 UT, so local midnite in MDT zone. Spanish music still audible at 0613 by monitoring LSB only, conveniently suppressed by KHAC which had resumed modulating on USB.

1300, Aug 29 at 0548 UT, I am rechecking 24 hours later the SS circumstantially identified as XEP, Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua. Again a dominant signal from WSW (or ENE), apropos for 38,000 rather than legal 200 watts, but plenty of CCI. Is playing romantic song, ``Aquellos Ojos Verdes``; 0551 ``En Radio México Noticias, también m'sica bonita``, then ``16 Tons`` in English! but not by Tennessee Ford, no bass this one. 0557, Radio México Noticias promo, federal promo for La Hora Nacional, promo some RMN morning shows; more music; 0602 ``Escuchas Radio México Noticias``, no further ID and into choral NA. 0604, NA is over already, and finally an ID for Radio México Noticias, including XEP call. This station is obviously determined to maintain its ``news`` identity even when playing music (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. CONCLUYEN TRANSMISIONES DEL 1310 DE RADIO UNIVERSIDAD | NOTICIAS DE CHIHUAHUA ñ Entrelineas

Tras 58 años de ser el principal promotor y difusor de la cultura, el arte y el quehacer universitario en el estado de Chihuahua, la transmisión de amplitud modulada del 1310 de Radio Universidad llegó a su término este viernes 27 de agosto.

Considerada una ventana para educar e informar al público chihuahuense, la señal universitaria XERU, a través de las voces de sus locutores, tuvo su última emisión con los programas especiales iConductores del Ayerí y iConductores del Ahorai.

El cierre obedece a la transición de la señal digital, por lo que a partir de hoy la estación universitaria sólo opera a través de las frecuencias moduladas 105.3 y 106.9.

A presidir el corte simbólico de la señal, el rector de la Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua, M.C. Jes's Enrique Sánchez, agradeció la participación de todos y cada uno de quienes durante la historia han hecho posible que Radio Universidad deje huella como una Radio cultural.

En ese sentido, reconoció la importancia del público que ha permitido que en sus hogares se escuche la programación de una frecuencia que ha dado vida y ha sido testigo de importantes sucesos de la historia

social, política, económica y cultural.

Así mismo el Secretario General de la UACH, Dr. Jes's Villalobos Jiñn, manifestó que la señal 1310 de AM se estableció como una piedra angular para transmitir la cultura y las inquietudes sociales, iesta estación es uno de los factores que ha tenido gran incidencia para formar a la sociedad.

¡Radio Universidad es esa parte de nuestra Universidad que nos conecta con la sociedad y nos hace patentes de ese sentido de responsabilidad!, dijo.

En sus inicios, en 1957, Radio Universidad se ubicó en lo que fuera el antiguo edificio de la entonces Escuela de Bellas Artes, en el campus I de la Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua. Ya para 1972, a consecuencia del movimiento de huelga en la Universidad, la señal guardó silencio durante 17 años, desde el verano de ese año hasta el otoño de 1989, tras el cierre y vuelta al aire de la estación el permiso de onda corta y dejó de explotarse. En julio de 1989, la estación salió de nuevo del aire por motivos técnicos.

El 9 de abril de 1994 reaparece con el lema ¡Una Nueva Señal Para ti!, bajo un concepto más dinámico y moderno que transmitía 15 horas diarias los 365 días del año.

La estación universitaria fue dirigida por: Héctor M. Gutiérrez, Juan Ramón Hinojos, Ernesto Lugo, Leoncio Lara Sáenz, Cecilia Moure, Jes's Alfredo Delgado, Alfonso Varona Treviso, José Luis Jaqués Balderrama, Martín Antonio Zermeño Muñoz, Francisco Javier Moya Muñoz, Juan Manuel González, Luis Froilán Castañeda Hidalgo, Antonio Payán Gómez y actualmente Jes's Adrián García Sánchez.

Su cobertura actual incluía regiones de Cuauhtémoc, Anáhuac, Delicias, Meoqui, Julimes, Cárdenas, Aldama y puntos intermedios, además de la capital del estado. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxldyg via DXLD)

RADIO UNIVERSIDAD EN CHIHUAHUA FINALIZA SUS TRANSMISIONES EN AM

Luego de 58 años de ser promotor y difusor de la cultura, el arte y el quehacer universitario en el estado de Chihuahua, la transmisión de amplitud modulada del 1310 de Radio Universidad llegó a su término.

El rector de la Universidad Autónoma de Chihuahua (UACH), Jes's Enrique Sáenz Sáenz, dijo que el cierre obedece a la transición de la señal digital, por lo que la estación universitaria sólo operará a través de las frecuencias moduladas 105.3 y 106.9.

Considerada una ventana para educar e informar al p'blico chihuahuense, la seÒal universitaria XERU, a travÈs de las voces de sus locutores, tuvo su 'ltima emisiÛn con los programas especiales iConductores del Ayerî y iConductores del Ahorai.

Se·Òez S·enz agradeciÛ la participaciÛn de todos que durante la historia han hecho posible que Radio Universidad deje huella como una radio cultural. ReconociÛ la actitud del p'blico que permitiÛ que en sus hogares se escuche la programaciÛn de una frecuencia que ha dado vida y testigo de importantes sucesos de la historia social, polÌtica, econÛmica y cultural.

Por su parte, el secretario general de la UACH, Jes's Villalobos JiÛn, dijo por su parte que la seÒal 1310 de AM se estableciÛ como una piedra angular para transmitir la cultura y las inquietudes sociales. iEsta estaciÛn es uno de los factores con incidencia para formar a la sociedad. Radio Universidad es esa parte de nuestra Universidad que nos conecta con la sociedad y nos hace patentes de ese sentido de responsabilidadi, dijo.(Terra via GRA blog via DXLD)

I`m not sure I ever heard it, but I remember listings in the 1960s for this also on SW 6140, XERUU.

1310, XERU was 1000/250 watts, seldom if ever reported DXwise.

An article on its 47th anniversary in 2004 appeared in this DXLD, and mentions SW 6140 operation in the 60s and 70s:

<http://worldofradio.com/dxld4109.txt>

(Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** MEXICO. 1570 MW, Imer R, 0330, Aug 26, Spanish religious emotional speech of pastor translated from another pastor in Portuguese, ID: iImer RadioÖ.Rosaî, 23342 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, DSWCI DX Window Sept 2 via DXLD) Nice catch in Bulgaria! (Ed Anker Petersen, ibid.)

While if any Mexican is going to make it to E Europe, 100 kW XERF on a high end frequency is the one --- this programming doesn't sound like them, certainly non-religious, government network IMER. While they do mention IMER, that's not their basic ID. A word misunderstood, perhaps? There are several Latin Americans on 1570 which are certainly religious, such as VEA in Guatemala; Bethel in Per' (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. It's September but still some Es openings, UT Sept 1:

1630 on 2, fade in some video; 1643 stronger to see it's Info7 per lower-right bug, i.e. XHTAU Tampico

1643 on 2, then it's PLAN B, and with some same-offset CCI. At first not clear if this is still XHTAU or something else like XHY Mérida.

But PLAN B is a Mon-Sat 11 am-noon CT show from Azteca Noreste:

<http://aztecanoreste.mx/secciones/detalle/2>

I.e. originating in Monterrey but on ch 2 from Tampico, so apparently the Info7 bug comes and goes, especially during PLAN B segments.

1701 on 2, Info 7 again, zero CCI; occasional further video until 1730 or so (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. IFT LICITAR; 191 FRECUENCIAS EN FM EN M...XICO [auxion]
by gruporadioescuchaargentino

En las próximas semanas, el Instituto Federal de Telecomunicaciones (Ifetel) licitará 191 frecuencias de radio comercial en Frecuencia Modulada (FM), lo cual implicará un incremento superior a 20% de la infraestructura actual.

Se espera que el proceso de licitación sea muy concurrido, por lo que se podrían recibir, literalmente, miles de solicitudes, refirió el titular de la Unidad de Espectro Radioeléctrico del Órgano regulador, Alejandro Navarrete.

En la edición número cinco de la Gaceta IFT, el funcionario explica que el Instituto considera utilizar mecanismos electrónicos para la recepción y el procesamiento de la información de los solicitantes.

Las recientes concesiones para instalar y explotar comercialmente estaciones de radio en México se otorgaron hace más de dos décadas, por lo que el crecimiento de estaciones comerciales de radio FM desde entonces ha sido sólo el resultado de la migración de estaciones de AM a esta frecuencia.

Navarrete Torres refiere que para finales de abril de 2015 existían mil 243 estaciones de radio FM autorizadas en el país, de las cuales 891 eran carácter comercial.

Por mandato de ley, el Ifetel debe expedir a más tardar el 31 de diciembre de cada año un Programa Anual de Bandas de Frecuencias, con las que serán objeto de la licitación o que podrán asignarse directamente, según corresponda.

El 30 de diciembre de 2014, el Órgano regulador publicó el Programa Anual de Uso y Aprovechamiento de Bandas de Frecuencias 2015, y a partir de entonces y hasta el pasado 16 de febrero recibió alrededor de 600 manifestaciones de interés para incluir frecuencias o coberturas geográficas adicionales o distintas a las consideradas.

Para determinar que existe la posibilidad tÈcnica de instalar y operar una estaciÛn de radio en alguna poblaciÛn determinada, explica Navarrete, es necesario realizar estudios de gabinete que, con base en la disposiciones normativas vigentes, permitan prever que la operaciÛn de esa estaciÛn no causar· interferencias perjudiciales.

Asimismo, en lÌnea con los acuerdos bilaterales firmados entre MÈxico y Estados Unidos, se deben realizar los procesos de coordinaciÛn previstos en estos acuerdos, previamente al inicio de operaciones de una estaciÛn que se ubique dentro de la zona de convenio.

iCon las condiciones contenidas en la normatividad vigente, en muchas ciudades del paÌs ya no existe disponibilidad espectral, como es el caso del Distrito Federal, Guadalajara, Jalisco o Monterreyi, acotÛ (tomada de El Economista via GRA blog via DXLD)

** MEXICO. RAYMIE`S MEXICO BEAT, THIS WEEK

To the list of variant shadows, we can add XHAW Saltillo, which today (just 45 minutes ago) launched Multimedios Coahuila on its 12.5 subchannel. (I believe shadow XHAW carries 12.1 and 12.5.) (Raymie Humbert, Phùnix AZ, Aug 27, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Fernando MejÌa Barquera wrote about the Radio Trece saga for Milenio on Thursday
http://www.milenio.com/firmas/fernando_mejia_barquera/Radio-mentiras-concesionario_18_580921934.html

Points of emphasis: you can't stop broadcasting because AM is in crisis, and this, from the IFT:

"Through a letter dated May 4, 2015, Carlos de JesÌs QuiÒones Armendariz, concessionaire of XEDA-AM 1290 in Mexico City, informed the IFT that on May 1, the station suspended transmissions, indicating that, due to a voltage spike, the main power supply burned out, damaging the voltage regulator and calibrator, as well as part of the feed line to the transmitter, saying the station would be back on air at the latest by May 15."

However, in July, "the concessionaire informed the IFT that the 27th Civil Judge of the Superior Court of Justice for the Federal District, within the definitive sentence in the lease dispute between Aldes Mex, S.A. de C.V., and Grupo Radio Trece Nacional, S.A. de C.V., forced the demanded party [i.e. Radio Trece] to vacate the building where the station's transmitter is located and, in order to comply with said sentence, [Radio Trece] removed the essential equipment necessary for the operation of the station, and having completed this project on May

27, seeks to authorize the transmission of the station [from its studios]". This is new information.

The IFT says it has not given XEDA-AM authorization to go off air. Mejía Barquera concludes that if Carlos Quiñones wants Radio Trece on FM, and to renew the station's concession which comes up for renewal in July 2016, he will need to get back on the air on AM.

For his part, on Saturday, Quiñones announced on Twitter that they are working with engineers to determine a plan of action for putting the AM station back on air (Raymie, Aug 30, *ibid.*)

From El Universal, "IFT maintains rules for analog TV".

http://www.eluniversal.com.mx/articulo/cartera/2015/09/1/ift-mantiene-reglas-para-tv-analogica#.VeXA70g_DFE.twitter

This short article contains nothing we didn't know already; the analog TV technical guidelines will remain in force until there's no more analog TV, and if those low-power permit holders (10 kW on UHF, 1 kW on VHF) don't have stations on by December 31, the IFT must set up a program to allow the public to continue receiving the "public service of general interest" (that's written into the Federal Telecommunications and Broadcasting Law). Could that mean temporary transmitters? Forcing Televisa or other transmitter owners to temporarily multiplex their stations for the use of the state networks in certain rural areas? What will that do? (Raymie, Sept 1, *ibid.*)

Too bad they can't leave some of those low-power, low-band analogs on through the Es season next year. Canada still has some small-market analogs on the air, but Mexico seems determined to have a total analog shutdown.

I wonder how well those weak DTVs will replicate the analog service. Even with 1,000,000 watts, my local KTAL-DT-15/6 can't be received well in the southern parts of this market. (Ed has an interesting story about that.)

The low-income people probably can't afford cable or satellite TV, unless the government pays the bill for them (Danny Oglethorpe, Shreveport, LA, Sept 1, *ibid.*)

I have no idea either. But we got the stenographic version of that IFT meeting from July, and here's what we've learned.

Holy Zacatecas --- We already knew that Zacatecas was about to see a near-doubling of its station count. In analog, Zacatecas has five stations:

XHBQ-3 (17)

XHIV-5 (48)
XHBD-8 (16)
XHLVZ-10 (46)
XHZAT-13 (19)

One digital-only station is operating:
XHOPZC-47 (Una Voz con Todos)

And these are the channel assignments for more future stations:

IntegraciÛn Mexicana con VisiÛn en Zacatecas-20
FundaciÛn Cultural por Zacatecas-22
XHZHZ-24 (Gobierno de Zacatecas)
Cadena Tres-27
Valores y Tradiciones de mi Tierra-30 (this station is also in
Zacatecas, which is also news)

There were five analog stations, all commercial, and there will be, once all of these are built, 11 digital stations, five of which are noncommercial. That is seriously impressive and is by far the biggest gain of any community in Mexico. The new noncommercial stations were all solicited as permits but instead will be public and social concessions.

Channel 28 would be available in any future bidding process as well. There must be room to repack three stations on channels 46, 47 and 48.

UACH going to CuauhtÈmoc

The Universidad AutÛnoma de Chihuahua station was a real headscratcher because they already had two FMs (and a now-defunct AM). Well, I suspected they were about to extend their coverage, and I'm right. The new UACH station will be located in Ciudad CuauhtÈmoc, Chih.

As with the other case, it appears this is part of clearing a backlog of previously solicited stations. UACH apparently also has sought stations in Delicias and Parral, which spacing may not allow for right now.

The new TRC FM station is in San Francisco de Campeche

Though this is not a surprise at all. Frequencies were not listed for either radio station or for the UJAT TV station.

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Also worth noting, confirmation that SIPSE's XHCCU-TDT 39 is on the air in Canc'n. Given that XHLQR looks set to disappear, this should be it for them.

And the "Monterrey and more" analog shutoff got published in the DOF

today.

http://www.dof.gob.mx/nota_detalle.php?codigo=5406003&fecha=02/09/2015

My question: do the Saltillo shadows go away too? That would potentially leave viewers in Saltillo with the limited analog service of XHAE, XHRCG (still not in digital; financial problems apparently are an issue), XHSCE, XHSTC and XHLLO.

Last edited by Raymie; 09-02-2015 at 07:00 PM (Raymie, ibid.)

Raymie, thanks for the updates. I'm glad about the Zacatecas stations. I hope the money and viewership will be enough to keep the five noncommercial stations on the air (Danny, Shreveport, LA, Sept 2, ibid.)

Channels 24 and 47 are government funded. 20, 22 and 30 are social use and should be very interesting (Raymie, Sept 2, ibid.)

** MONGOLIA [non]. Aug 27:

Voice of Mongolia in English 1915 on 3985 Kall

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cGtp9lPBr8o&feature=youtu.be>

(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

** MYANMAR. Die Location Bestimmung ist diskutierbar. Aus den Angaben von Victor 4S7VK und auch nach dem Thailand Kwai Bruecke Besuch / logs von Gerhard Werdin war bisher bekannt.

5915.0 exact mit hoechstens 1 Hertz Abweichung ist der Sender mit einer Einzelantenne direkt in Naypyidaw (suedlich).

5985.0 kommt aus Pyin Oo Lwin, 208 km noerdlich Naypyidaw.

dagegen die 'krummen Frequenzen' als Fussabdruck, 5985.83 ... x.87 kHz, sowie 7200.v, 9730.v kHz kommen vom alten British Empiresender, BRM Yangon Yegu MW 576 4725 5040 5986 7185 9730 kHz.

6030, 6165, 7345, 9460. 9490, 9730.0 kHz kommen aus Pyin Oo Lwin, 208 km noerdlich Naypyidaw, diese haben fast alle 6 Hertz Abweichung auf der Unterbandseite, schoen den 'Fussabdruck' zu messen.

Alles sehr verlaesslich mit den excellenten Perseus SDR bestimmbar.
(Wolfgang B,schel, Aug 23, wwdx BC-DX TopNews Aug 31 via DXLD)

** MYANMAR. Aug 24:

Myanmar Radio in Burmese to SEAs 1528 on 5985 Yangon

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SQkwJ0GqBWA&feature=youtu.be>

Myanmar Radio in English to SEAs 1530 on 5985 Yangon

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Jz2e9bqAAg&feature=youtu.be>

Myanmar Radio in English to SEAs 1538 on 5985 Yangoon

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G1JjSxYVAd4&feature=youtu.be>

Myanmar Radio in English to SEAs 1546 on 5985 Yangoon

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oS9VxyG1Kz0&feature=youtu.be>

Myanmar Radio in English to SEAs 1554 on 5985 Yangoon

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7DNe4zkuCYE&feature=youtu.be>

(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS. RADIO MARIA AND NPO RADIO 5 MW

Radio Maria (Netherlands) is looking at ways of continuing on medium wave after its contract with KPN Broadcast Services finishes on 1st September (and its broadcasts on 675 kHz from Lopik cease). NOVEC, who own the Lopik mast, say major costly repairs are needed on the mast. According to an interview with Radio Maria president, Ger Zimmerman, they have been looking for some months at alternative ways of continuing on medium wave, even if just at a regional or local level.

Full article (in Dutch) here:

<http://www.mediamagazine.nl/radio-maria-zoekt-alternatieven-om-op-middengolf-te-blijven/>

Meanwhile, NPO Radio 5 Nostalgia on 747 kHz (Zeeuwolde) are now playing a special programme of continuous music with announcements about their MW closure on September 1st and alternative ways of listening (Alan Pennington, Caversham, UK, AOR 7030plus, beverage, bdxc-UK yg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS. As announced earlier, Radio 5 Nostalgia on 747 kHz will be closing down tonight end of August 2015. In fact, they already pulled the plug on its normal programming way earlier: this past Saturday night, they had a special music program interrupted for an ever-repeating recorded announcement in Dutch between any 2 songs, about the following: "You're listening to Radio5-Nostalgia on 747 kHz. But this is a special program because Radio5-Nostalgia will leave 747 kHz on Tuesday. But luckily, there are other options (Sat/Web/ DAB) to continue listening. Visit our website NPORADIO5.NL or call our free hotline (0800 0900 500)".

Well, "luckily" may be OK for stationary listeners or others within the Netherlands but for people traveling or listening with a portable receiver abroad, only the web option will persist. Which, let's be honest, probably won't be used by a lot of folks. Sunday night, 2015-08-30, even the music interludes had disappeared and instead the same

announcement was played over and over again (still the case this morning). (Snippets of Sat + Sun evening attached). (Tobias [squared], Germany, Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NPO Radio 5 Nostalgia on 1251 kHz (Emmaberg) is currently still putting out normal programming with religious music and chat at 0615 UT. Heard via SDR Twente. 73's (John Sent from my iPad Hoad, Aug 30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

NPO Radio 5 MW --- NPO Radio 5 medium wave transmitters closed last night (31 August) around midnight local time in the Netherlands (2200 UT).

747 kHz Lopik had dropped the continuous music with announcements a couple of days ago, and had continued with just the announcements about alternative ways to listen. Last night the announcements stopped at 2158:30 UT and the 60s instrumental 'Scarlett O'Hara' by Jet Harris and Tony Meehan was played in full until 2201 UT. Then silence, with the transmitter switching off at about 2202:30 UT. So no closedown announcement (not sure of the significance if any, of the tune played? It used to be a sig tune used by Tom Mulder on Radio Veronica).

Retuning to 1251 kHz (Emmaberg), it was playing 'Can't Buy Me Love' by the Beatles which was unceremoniously cut mid-song at 2204 UT (forgot to check if 675 kHz Radio Maria closed at the same time) 73 (Alan Pennington, Caversham UK, AOR 7030plus, beverage, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Having just checked for the Netherlands Radio Maria via Lopik on 675 and NOS via Zeewolde 747 kHz at 0945 UT. I find that both frequencies are empty. 747 has been carrying a repeated message since at least Sunday, advising of the closure, and where to re-tune. But 675 has been carrying its normal programme with no announcement about the closure heard. I assume NOS via Hulsberg on 1251 has also gone off - inaudible here in daytime.

The other transmitter located at Zeewolde carrying Great News Radio on 1008 kHz is still on air, so this site remains active (Noel R. Green (NW England). Sept 1, 1010 UT, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

First noted a station in Dutch on 747 kHz at around 0900 UT via SDR Twente. It turns out to be a pirate but unsure of name. Still on air now at 1120. 73's (John Sent from my iPad Hoad, Sept 1, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

675 and 747 kHz both off at 1103 UT Sept 1, but 1008 kHz with powerful signal of S=9+40dB heard on remote SDR unit in Belgium, mentioned ID Groot Nieuwsradio, traffic news program, followed by 'Sandwich' pop music program. 13 kHz wide broadband signal visible on Perseus screen.

Talk also about DAB+ mode quality. But also heard 891 kHz Radio 538, Hulsberg according to Boel list (Wolfgang Buschel, dxldyg via DXLD)

Re Holland off MW radio matter. Also at 1140 UT, on air 1251 kHz heard on S=8 level, on local Amsterdam remote unit, but not Dutch anymore, rather Smooth Radio, Great Barton, \\ 1260 kHz.

1602 R Waddenzee S=9 signal,

1584 R Paradijs Utrecht, S=6

1566 Vahon Hindustania, Indian Asian network, subcontinental music, S=9+15dB local Amsterdam strength. wb (Buschel, Sept 1, ibid.)

747 kHz has been turned off at 2202. The special advice had been played since Friday. This playout stopped exactly at local midnight, leaving only the silent carrier for the last two minutes.

Under this carrier I could already hear a distant signal whispering. It turned out to be Radio Iran, in almost listenable quality, not in a mess with other transmitters as it was the case on a number of other frequencies.

The 1251 kHz signal has, it seems, been turned off shortly after local midnight, too. Here it was the regular Radio 5 until the very end. This transmitter had been broken away from the NPO mediumwave feed when 747 kHz had been used for Radio 1 after the Smilde+Lopik FM site fires in 2011, and obviously they never changed the routing again afterwards.

And indeed no special announcements of any kind from Radio Maria. The transmitter had simply been turned off in midst sentence at about 2204 (Kai Ludwig, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yesterday morning around 03 UT, I checked 747 kHz on Twente remote SDR. A pirate station occupied the frequency. It broadcasted music. On 1251 kHz I could hear DankU R-diU from Hungary. On 675 kHz I heard nothing.

I copy what I found in the chat box of Twente SDR. The date is late night of 31st August-early morning of 1st of September, 2015. Here as it goes:

2309z spar78: 675 and 747 closedowns are up on YT

2310z spar78: with thanks to SamuraiGamer538

2311z ::ffff:88.244.238.77: thats not a knife

2314z ::ffff:66.194.104.5: music.. 1422.03

2319z CoolAM Radio: on 747 pirate station now

2321z DXFinder: Samurai lives near me.

2325z ::ffff:66.194.104.5:864

2325z Brazil: what are the brazilian frequencies?

0002z ::ffff:80.56.27.176: Ik hoor nu een piraat? Op 747 AM na afschakelen van NPO Radio 5 Nostalgia, klopt dit?
0003z ::ffff:80.56.27.176: It looks like a pirate took the frequency that Radio 5 (NL) left when they went off air AM 747
0007z ::ffff:89.69.97.65: to cheer you up, I see a few North American carriers in high MW, like 1450 1470 1510, also 1250
0030z CoolAM Radio: 747
indeed = dutch pirate "Radio Sterrekijker"
0031z CoolAM Radio: created some special 747 jingle also! @
<http://www.coolam.nl/jingle-747.mp3>
0035z ::ffff:80.56.27.176: Maybe he will play it. Cool action! Curious how long he stays on air.
0159z ::ffff:88.244.238.77: thats not a knife

Today (2nd Sept, 2015) Twente SDR's website became unavailable (Tibor Gaal, Budapest, Hungary, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Pirate station on 747 kHz --- A pirate station now uses the channel left by NPO 5. It identifies as "Radio, ÄØSerguei, ÄØ7, ÄØ4, ÄØ7" [sic], at least it sounds to me like that. Can anyone confirm the ID? 73, (RÈmy Friess, 1359 UT Sept 1, BDXC-UK yg or MWCircle yg via DXLD)

Radio Sterrekijker (Stargazer) using presumably 400 watts (Herman - Boel, MWCircle yg via DXLD)

[and non] It appears from vaguely worded reports that this pirate on 747 kHz started immediately after the Zeewolde transmitter went off, first "with Radio 5 Nostalgia", unclear if it was indeed a live relay or rather recordings of the daytime oldie format. And it seems that people already begin to wonder when this pirate will stop his continuing operation, or will be asked in person to switch it off.

The closure of the IJsselstein transmitter immediately uncovered something on 675 kHz that could have been Qatar. There were just too much static crashes to be shure, from the thunderstorms along the weather front while the subtropical air mass has been driven out of Central Europe, on time to end this summer with a temperature drop of more than 10 K.

1251 kHz was initially a jumble. I would not be surprised if Radio Iran turns out to be the usually dominating signal here, too, so will again usually be // 747 kHz (Kai Ludwig, Sept 2, dxldyg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. 9925, Aug 30 at 0127, JBA carrier from Mighty KBC via GERMANY, so another propagational bust: can't wait till next week for the QSY to 7375. Little from Europe+ is making it on 9: Albania, Turkey, Cairo all JBACs, and Greece must be off again from both frequencies. WWV reported:

``Solar-terrestrial indices for 29 August follow.
Solar flux 100 and estimated planetary A-index 16.
The estimated planetary K-index at 0000 UTC on 30 August was 2.
No space weather storms were observed for the past 24 hours.
Space weather for the next 24 hours is predicted to be minor.
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level are likely.

The estimated planetary K-index at 0300 UTC on 30 August was 2.
Space weather for the past 24 hours has been minor.
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level occurred.
Space weather for the next 24 hours is predicted to be minor.
Radio blackouts reaching the R1 level are likely.``
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Mighty KBC frequency change beginning September 6, 2015 for the 0000-0300 UT broadcast. Old 9925. New 7375 kHz. 73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. 9885-9890-9895, Aug 27 at 1255, DRM noise, no doubt RNZI in temporary test display for the benefit of attendees at HFCC B-15 in Brisbane, Australia, on this frequency at 0759-1258 for one more day (and a break after 1300).

9755-9760-9765, Aug 28 at 1305, DRM noise, not scheduled, but likely RNZI during what is normally a DRM hiatus, even for the special HFCC broadcasts. 9760 had been on their DRM schedule later before moving to 7330. Now from Aug 29, DRM should resume sporadic RNZI schedule as-needed for relays, mostly on weekdays (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, RNZI in English to Pacific 1300-1550 UT on 9760 DRM Aug 28 // 6170 AM. Video at 1545 on 6170 AM plus unscheduled 9760 DRM
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZ3iqv6fNnw&feature=youtu.be>
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Yes, but since neither of us could decode the DRM and it's not on their schedule, you must also be assuming that's it (gh, DXLD)

** NICARAGUA. 600, La Nueva Radio Ya, Managua. 1035 August 29, 2015.
"... mismo hora en Radio Ya... Nicarag,ense... Radio Ya" (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NIGERIA. Voice of Nigeria, 7255, 0606 1 SEP - in HAUSSA from ABUJA-LUGBE. SINPO = 25232, male announcer. 0608z musical interlude with squeaky woodwind followed by ID by different male announcer. (Note: no signal found on 9690khz, supposedly //) sf91.0, a5, k2, geomag: quiet.

250 kW, beamAz 248 , bearing 62 . Sangean ATS505 With Kaito KA33 in west facing window. Received at Las Vegas, United States, 12242 km from transmitter at Abuja-Lugbe. Local time: 2306 (Rodney Johnson, NV, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9690-, Sept 2 at 0557, VON cacophony IS is the SS0B leading up to Hausa hour, but nothing on 7255 next to 7250 Vatican. 24+ hours later, neither VON frequency audible (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nor in the evening Sept. 2 on 7255, 9690 or 15120. And not much from Lagos also: Livestream Sept. 2 only with test music around 1100, then a hum, then off, also off this afternoon and no trace of ex-// IKO broadcast on 9690 or elsewhere recently. Posted by: (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE-NA. Free Thinker Radio, 6925 USB, 0045-0125*, 08-21-15. SI0: 343. OM DJ with selections of obscure rock tunes by The Dead Milkmen, Thee Oh Sees, Led Zeppelin. Might have origins as a web streamcast. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. Amphetamine Radio, 6925 USB, 2101-2130+, 08-22-15. SI0: 343. Comedy skit about Jeff Gordon, IDs, instrumental tunes, Jefferson Airplane tune at 2124. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. Radio Free Whatever, 6935 USB, 0300-0312*, 08-23-15. SI0: 232. Just caught end of show with Dickweed and Stavin, played "Phone In A Pool" by Ben Folds. Off after ID. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA. B.I.D.-Burn It Down Radio, 6962 USB, 0130-0150*, 08-27-15 SI0: 343 Talking about martial law, going underground, etc. Played tunes by Creedence Clearwater Revival, Bob Seger, IDed at B.I.D. Radio at sign off. [Lobdell-MA]

PIRATE-NA XLR8, 6950 USB, 0201-0218+, 08-27-15 SI0: 232 Tunes by Public Image, The Rattles, Japan. Quick ID (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, JRC NRD-545, Aerials: 40 Meter dipole, G5RV, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950-USB, Aug 27 at 0202, pirate music, S9 level signal with ringing sounds; 0204 SF drama audio with SFX; 0206 back to song; I leave the PL-880 on this with a semiear while I keep bandscanning on the NRD-545, and missed an ID if there ever was one; still going at 0232 with dramatic narration; and at 0251 tune-out. I can depend on HF Underground guys for the IDs: numerous logs here, every one of them from further east than I am, say it was XLR8:
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23142.0.html>

6955-USB, Sept 2 at 0107, pirate music at S9, 0108 long pause, 0109

more music; 0121 still music; 0131 sounds much stronger, rock jumpstarts, stops, resumes; 0138 animal sound effects, 0139.5 rock. This thread says it was XLR8, on the air intermittently for over 5 hours, 0057 until 0605:

<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23238.0.html>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6930-USB, Aug 29 at 0100, pirate music, 0101 announcements in kid voices? and stops. Just missed it. Was about S5 vs storm crash level peaking S9. To HFU for the answer: KBOX.
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23167.0.html>
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23169.0.html>
It seems there is currently no licensed KBOX on AM, per the NRC AM Log 2015-2016 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6925.16-AM, Aug 29 at 0103, JBA music, still at 0143, presumably the usual Liquid Radio, never strong enough here.

6925.16-AM, Aug 30 at 0103, pirate music reading S6 but barely audible; presumed Liquid Radio on its signature crystal.

6925.12-AM, Sept 2 at 0110, JBA carrier, presumed Liquid Radio, as per <http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23240.0.html>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6965-USB, Aug 30 at 0139, music at good level, S9; 0140 ``nobody knows indie rock like DJ Dick Weed. This is Radio Free What-ever''. Allan Weiner said last night on WBCQ that pirates should use AM instead of SSB; but the SSB ones generally do better here
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950-AM, UT Monday Aug 31 at 0049, very poor carrier, could be 5 x 1390 local KCRC but not //. Suspect it's relay of CKUT's International Radio Report as heard last Sunday night; maybe a regular schedule pirate service? Yes, reports here confirm IRR, <http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23204.0.html> which aired first around 2200 Aug 30, and again circa 0030 Aug 31. <http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23208.0.html> So IRR is back on SW; for a while Area 51 on WBCQ was carrying it. Mark Taylor referred to this as ``Review of International Broadcasting'', a title already spoken for (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. 6950-USB, Aug 31 at 0135, rechecking the IRR relay, now something on USB instead of AM and playing a bit of music, but as soon as I tune in, switch to CW and then SSTV, more like 6950.5? It's Amphetamine Radio, matching details here:
<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23211.0.html>

6950.0-USB, Sept 1 at 0007, pirate music poor at S7; gone at 0039 recheck. Several logs here, also with some SSTV shots, say it was Amphetamine Radio until 0013*:

<http://www.hfunderground.com/board/index.php/topic,23218.0.html>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1210, Aug 27 circa 0255 UT, and anytime I check at night for the past several weeks, KGYN Guymon always with a good signal in C&W, so obviously keeps running ND day pattern, 10 kW, instead of westward protecting Philadelphia and Enid on the way (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. (1650), Aug 27 at 1700 UT, KYHN webcast is in Herman Cain show, but no break at hourtop --- he's in a 20-minute quick-response segment; another far right wacko is on an hour later, with no break either, so I conclude the webcast, if really from KYHN, whose ID I was wanting to reconfirm instead of ``WFSM'', is way off-time as surely these shows accede to hourtop news hole breaks in real time.

1650, Aug 28 at 0559 UT, ``AM 16-50, Arklahoma's talk radio, KYHN, Fort Smith'', nice singing ID, bong and CBS news. So still no sign of the alleged call change to WFSM which FCC shows, and quoted by some other DX sources without really monitoring it. Here's the callsign history page showing previous KYHN and others, but not the date WFSM supposedly started:

http://licensing.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/ws.exe/prod/cdbs/pubacc/prod/call_hist.pl?Facility_id=87114&Callsign=WFSM

Aside from the news, KYHN continues to air `Red Eye Radio` far-right trucker nonsense out of WBAP overnight, and repeated a couple seconds later on adjacent local 1640 KZLS (Glenn Hauser, Enid, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: don't you believe WFSM --- Glenn - The CDBS database has this station back to KYHN as of Friday, August 28 - should be fixed in AM Query by Monday. 73, (David Yocis, NRC, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Not checked AM Query until 0410 UT Sept 2, and yes indeed, no WFSM, and KYHN is back; and no sign of WFSM in 87114's Call Sign History, either! Now, FCC site is down until Sept 8 for ``modernizing'' (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Hi Karen, In case you haven't heard, when KWOU [88.1 Woodward] has been audible yesterday and today, it's marred by audio interruptions once or twice a minute, but highly variable. There's a ringing sound and a few seconds silence before resuming, rather like internet buffering. Is that how you are feeding it? Regards, (Glenn

Hauser, Enid, Aug 28, to KGOU GM Karen Holp, via DXLD) For example logged at 1332 & 1334 UT Aug 28, buffering bangs (gh)

Re 88.1, KWOU Woodward audio problems: received a prompt reply even tho it was after-hours on a Friday, 2236 UT Aug 28 from Patrick Roberts, Chief Engineer at mother station KGOU Norman:

``Hi Glen[n]. Thanks for the info. It seems that there is some internet link disturbance that's crept up recently in the OU network. We feed it over Tieline IP codecs. To help mask the problem, I've changed the profile on the Tieline encoder headed that way, adding 100% Forward Error Correction (basically sending the audio packets twice slightly delayed). That seems to have stopped the drop-out problem, at least at 5:30 (lots of people might have gone home at OU, lessening the problem naturally; we shall see). We normally have a very good path up to there, effectively on fiber most of the way through the same service provider. If it acts up again, I can switch out to our cellular modem for a while. I'll try to keep an eye on it for the next few days. Thanks! PR`` (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 90.1, Aug 28 at 2105 UT, KUCO classical music, Debussy's ``Images`` is extremely rudely interrupted by an Amber Alert --- but it's so noisy it can't be understood. (Later, on the news, it was a 2-year old boy abducted by his father yesterday at an OKC Walmart, recovered).

A few minutes later, KUCO announcer acted as if nothing had happened ruining the music (and my seminap) --- maybe he couldn't tell? There has got to be a better way to do this. Of course I am not opposing the idea of Amber Alerts for missing children, but like EAS tests which aren't immediately urgent, these should be *managed* NOT to block out programming in progress, and furthermore, done with decent modulation. Why is that so difficult? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 639, August 15, 2015 at 2102, RADIO SULTANATE OF OMAN. Male announcer in Arabic. News of warfare in Anbar, Iraq. Several IDs. SINPO 55555 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, AOR AR-5000A PLUS 3, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. Radio Sultanate of Oman in Arabic, instead of English 1400-1500 on 15140 THU 100 kW / 315 deg to WeEu on August 28 <http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/radio-sultanate-of-oman-in-arabic.html> -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, Equipment: Sony ICF-2001D 30 m. long wire, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9740, Sept 1 at 0103, Qur'an, ~S6, no doubt RSO extending the 22-24 frequency instead of QSY to 9500 after 0000. No sign of 9745-CUSB

Bahrain, which is supposedly 24 hours, but never heard here. Is it active? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PAKISTAN. RADIO PAKISTAN TO GO OFF AIR IN FAVOUR OF SPORTS COMPLEX

<http://www.dawn.com/news/1203113/radio-pakistan-to-go-off-air-in-favour-of-sports-complex>

Quetta: The Balochistan government has finalised a plan to take over 64 acres of land owned by Radio Pakistan in Quetta by shutting down the station's transmission, removing its machinery and transmission towers from the Sariab area.

On Wednesday, sources confirmed that government officials had been directed to put finishing touches on the plan to take over land worth billions of rupees belonging to the radio station. Sources claim that the land was being taken over under the pretext of constructing a sports complex and park.

You will not be able to listen to local shows or programmes in other languages from Radio Pakistan Quetta, said a senior Radio Pakistan official while talking to IDawnI. *The government is going to remove the transmission towers and other machinery from the land on Sariab Road. It was allotted to Radio Pakistan in 1964.*

He added that by using this piece of land for a sports complex would be like gagging the voice of the station as it would be take several shows, including those on recitation of the Holy Quran and other popular programmes in different languages, off the air. According to the station's senior official, when a government official was asked about why they wanted these 64 acres, he replied: *Some people have had their eyes set on this precious land for a long time. They want to take over the land by claiming to build a sports complex even though Quetta already has a large sports complex [Ayub Stadium].*

The station was set up in Quetta in 1956 on 64 acres on Sariab Road. In 1959, Radio Pakistan installed medium-wave and short-wave transmitters on the property so the station's programmes could be heard all over the province.

Radio Pakistan Quetta had installed 93.5 kilowatt transmission on the site before Ramazan this year, and had launched an FM transmission, *Sout-ul-Quran*, for programmes related to recitation of the Holy Quran and Islamic teachings. An official of Radio Pakistan expressed fears that if the provincial government decided to go ahead with the plan, these transmissions and shows would have to be taken off the airwaves.

A government official said the Shahwani Sports Stadium constructed by

the government had the capacity for building a new sports complex and was located close to Radio Pakistan. He said that the provincial government also had acres of official land available on the Hazarganji and Sibi roads linking to Sariab Road and they could construct a new sports complex there instead.

He added that he did not know why the provincial government was insisting on constructing a sports complex on Radio Pakistan's property. A senior official of the radio station said the Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation should take notice of what was happening in Quetta and ask the federal government to release funds to install powerful transmitters and other equipment to enable Radio Pakistan Quetta to air its programmes for listeners across the province.

Published in Dawn, August 27th, 2015 (via JosÈ Miguel Romero2, dxldyg via DXLD)

Three MW sites at present at Quetta:

PAK_Quetta Sariab Road 855 kHz 10 kW - former SW 5040 / 7155 kHz
<http://static.panoramio.com/photos/large/107502825.jpg>

<http://static.panoramio.com/photos/large/107502912.jpg>
location
30 08'25.52"N 66 58'48.84"E
<http://binged.it/1hkDVZI>

and PAK_Quetta Bolan Road 1134 kHz 100 kW site
probably left side ?
<http://static.panoramio.com/photos/large/78046351.jpg>

at
30 04'54.71"N 66 58'43.07"E
<http://binged.it/1EoV3Zg>

and PAK_Quetta Pishin 756 kHz 150 kW too
<http://static.panoramio.com/photos/large/33823115.jpg>

<http://static.panoramio.com/photos/large/63671251.jpg>
at
30 29'23.71"N 66 56'48.51"E
<http://binged.it/1hkEbI1>

wb df5sx (Wolfgang B.schel, dxldyg via DXLD)

** PERU. 5980, R. CHASKI, 27/8 2255 UT. ID como iRed Radio Integridadí con avisos de iglesias fundamentalistas bautistas de Lima, solicitud de literatura de iRadio Transmundialí, un pequeño devocional. Luego el micro programa: iLibres de verdadí con testimonios de conversiÛn, para

pasar a un espacio de himnos instrumentales hasta el comienzo del
¡Camino de la vida! a las 2308. SINPO: 55444.

5980, R. CHASKI, 29/8 2250 UT. Programa ``Desencadenados``
[Unshackled] con testimonios de conversión al cristianismo
protestante. SINPO: 54444 con leve QRM desde 5975 sin ID (Claudio
Galaz Toledo, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo,
m.s 20 metros de antena de tierra y balón de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle,
Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

5980, Aug 30 at 0059, JBA carrier from R. Chaski, until autocutoff at
0106:49.5* which 38 seconds later than last catch six nights ago on
Aug 24 at 0106:11.5 --- i.e., averaging 6.33 later per.

5980, Aug 31 at 0055, JBA carrier from R. Chaski (5990 CRI/Cuba is
already off), until cutoff at 0106:55* which is 5.5 seconds later than
last night.

5980, Sept 1 at 0100, no signal from R. Chaski, so off early or not on
at all this date? Bolivians on 49m are audible. There is some remnant
Cuban pulse jamming, however, on 5980.

5980, Sept 2 at 0056, no signal from R. Chaski, evidently off the air
already so no autocutoff to time tonight around 0105 (Glenn Hauser,
OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. QSL: 11695, Vatican Radio, English via Palauig-Zambalas site. Received a full data (with site indicated) Pope Francis in Cockpit on his way to Brazil QSL Card. This for a postal report direct to the Vatican. Reply in 114 days. V/S; nil (Edward Kusalik - Daysland, Alberta, Canada, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** POLAND. Aug 30: Polskie Radio Jedynka in Polish to Eu 1932 on 225 Solec Kujawski, Kabat
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZcQV4Eh2TQM&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** RUSSIA. Aug 25: Comintern Radio, songs 1706 on 6990.0
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vRA-k6m9FgM&feature=youtu.be>

Aug 27: Comintern Radio with appeal in Russian to the President of Ukraine 1655 on 6990.0
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0L2I96Nfses&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SAO TOME. VOA Pinheira, more than 5'000 km away, is often heard with a remarkably loud signal here in Europe on their MW frequency of 1530 kHz, often heard between 2000 and 2100z in English with news on

the hour and lots of music and info programming. Despite their beam not really pointing up here (we're about 60° off the main direction), it's coming through quite legibly and sometimes even up to an O=4, depending on propagation and co-channel QRM. Programming is in parallel to SW 6080 kHz from Botswana and others (Tobias [squared], Germany, Aug 31, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA. 1440, August 28, 2015 at 2117, RADIO RIYADH (RAS AL KHAIR), Male announcers in Arabic. News about the region. IDs. SINPO 44444.

1449, August 28, 2015 at 2119, RADIO RIYADH (JEDDAH), Male announcers in Arabic. News about the region. IDs. Simultaneous broadcast as on 1440. Local music. SINPO 33333.

1467, August 28, 2015 at 2122, RADIO RIYADH (HAFAR AL BATIN), Male announcers in Arabic. News about the region. IDs. Simultaneous broadcast as on 1440 & 1449. Local music. SINPO 43444 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, AOR AR-5000A PLUS 3, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Would love to hear Hafr Al Batin, but not the power of 1521 kHz. You are in a good part of the world for interesting listening. Lived for 5 years just 40 km south of HAB in the early 80s. Regards, (George, NJ3H Stephens City, Virginia USA, Perseus SDR and Wellbrook ALA1530AL-2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

All users of Perseus Server SDR units worldwide capability can check these mediumwave band coverage around Saudi Arabia from a new SDR unit at Doha, which is in Perseus net since the day before this week.

Heard a lot of Saudis (in WRTH 'R') marked programmes just 30 minutes ago (Wolfgang Bischel, Aug 29, ibid.)

1521 & 594 kHz === Concerning this discussion: At least when checked some time ago 594 kHz indeed came up at 0300 UT. In fact hereby the frequency comes to life to simple mediumwave radios in Europe. To them the frequency is now empty also at night, with no transmitters left in Europe whatsoever and the next remaining ones in Africa and Iran simply being too far away.

1512 kHz in Saudi Arabia has a daytime counterpart for groundwave coverage as well; in this case it's 648 kHz. Only 1440 kHz is in use throughout the day. This is no surprise at all: the groundwave performance of such frequencies above 1500 kHz is lousy.

For Langenberg [Germany] 1593 kHz it had been specified as a reach of a mere 80 km even when running 800 kW, which is of course just

ridiculous (and led to the decision to keep 720 kHz when they had to shut down the 1966 vintage transmitters with their nice PCB-filled capacitors at yearend 1993).

Here is a peek into the quite rustic transmitter hall of one of the Saudi megawatt facilities:

<http://www.engineeringradio.us/blog/2012/12/the-continental-d323c-medium-wave-transmitter/>

However, I understand that at least some of these transmitters have meanwhile been replaced by new solid-state units. And the Serbian 684 kHz facility, mentioned in the comments under this article, was to my knowledge equipped with Brown Boveri transmitters, or does someone know otherwise for sure? (Brown Boveri indeed made 1000 kW MW/LW transmitters.) (Kai Ludwig, Germany, Aug 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See SERBIA [and non]

** SERBIA [and non]. re Belgrade Obrenovac 684 kHz, formerly bombed and destroyed totally by US NATO jet fighter planes in 1999 year, on Kosovo war. Was also same US made Continental class like the Riyadh's 1000 kW mediumwave units. Continental built this strongest new 2000 kW unit for Belgrade YUG in 1973, and advertised from WRTA 1974 for two decades or so. Yugoslavia was a 3rd world - block free - country in the 70ties, not dominated by Brezhnev's USSR, - and could buy such US hardware gear.

This Obrenovac YUG 2 x 1000 kW installation was the 9th and 10th 1000 kW Continental Mediumwave unit ever built at this time era, at VOA Germany, Okinawa, Poro Point, Bangkok, Thailand, Abis Egypt, Central America? wb (Wolfgang Bischel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No megawatt in Belize --- only 50 or 100 kW, I think (gh, DXLD)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020.0, SIBC - The Voice of the Nation, 1153, August 28. Ad - "It's no wonder children like Anchor milk. New Zealand's Anchor milk is all natural milk with no sugar added. It tastes amazing with lots of nutrients and protein to help children grow healthy. Direct from New Zealand . . for a healthy choice, choose Anchor dairy milk"; PSA ("Stop violence against children"); "Evening Devotional" and prayer; start of ID, but cut off at 1200*; no time to finish ID or to play NA. Better than normal reception.

9545, SIBC - The Voice of the Nation, 0500*, Sept 2. Noted in Pijin and Pacific Island pop songs; suddenly off; poor (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. DTT news from Sentech
Latest Digital Terrestrial Television news from RSA:

<http://newsletters2.mg.co.za/servlet/link/6026/565549/6505046/2964429>
(Bill Bingham, Johannesburg RSA. Drake R8E, Sony ICF2001D. Sept 1,
dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) = DTV

** SOUTH CAROLINA [and non]. 11580, WRMI Radio Miami Int'l (presumed); 2118, 27-Aug; Bro. HyStairical talking about eating bodies, drinking blood & rivers of living water flowing from bellies. Sounds like a vampire gorefest. B.S. said that when he talks about that, he "goes into another realm". SI0=454- (Frodge-MI)

11670, WHRI, Cypress Creek SC (presumed); 2031, 26-Aug; Bro. HyStairical ran a call from a Jamaican-accented M with a rambling question/comment about what he should do including whether to get out of Boston. B.S. deftly skipped around the whole thing with tales about his own experiences. SI0=4+54 (Frodge-MI)

11825, WRMI, Radio Miami Int'l (presumed); 2026, 26-Aug; Bro. HyStairical with the ultimate self-aggrandizement, "If you believe in God, you also believe in me." [Upon more ponderage, there could be a tad of truth in that.] B.S. interrupted himself at 2028+ with a new rant; another spliced-together program? S20 peaks.

9370, WWRB Manchester TN; 2055-2102+, 2-Sep; Bro. HyStairical said, "Black magic ceremonies are being conducted in the Vatican". (Maybe it was a Santana concert.) Break-in WWRB ID at 2100:37, into Alexander Scourby Bible reading. S30 peaks.

11825, Overcomer Ministry via WRMI Radio Miami Int'l (presumed); 1900, 1-Sep; Bro. HyStairical interrupted Alexander Scourby's Bible reading; ran a tape of a WRMI/O.M. recording from Australia sent to him by Jeff White. B.S. inspirational words; "Your time is short", "God is going to turn the whole world into Hell very soon." Also mentioned Wes Crane's death, so a current program; "This man gave his mind over to demonic influences." SI0=4+54 (Harold Frodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. 15490, Sept 1 at 1809, open carrier/dead air from REE, supposed to start at 1800; NO signals on 17855, 17715 or 15450, off and/or not propagating (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15490, 17715, 17855, Radio Exterior de EspaÑa, September 1 and 2, no signal on its daily transmissions since 1800 UT, only carrier detected on these frequencies (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, EspaÑa, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hola, Es cierto, ya que hemos recibido reportes negativos desde varios barcos espaÑoles de alta mar asÌ como de cubanos. La Plataforma ha

escrito a REE, pero su director est. de vacaciones, así que se le llamar. al mÙvil para saber quÈ est. pasando. Se desconoce si las fuertes tormentas del centro peninsular han afectado gravemente al centro emisor. En cuanto tengamos m.s informaciÛn, la publicaremos. Un saludo Enviado desde mi iPad2 (Pedro Sedano, Madrid, EspaÑa, Sept 3, NOTICIAS DX yg via DXLD)

** SRI LANKA. 11750, August 28, 2015 at 1706, SRI LANKA BROADCASTING CORPORATION, ID at 1708, iwww.slbc.lk by Male Announcer in English. Music (rap/progressive), Program by Male Announcer in Sihala. SINPO 55545. (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, JRC NRD-535D, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11905, Aug 29 at *0114:11.5, carrier on from SLBC; don't hear any music starting, but must be just too weak, as I can barely make out the 2+1 mistimesignal ending at 0115:19.5.

11905, Aug 31 at *0114:10 carrier on with flutter, S1; music prÈlude starts at 0114:46.5; 2+1 timesignal ends at at 0115:19.5, SLBC opening Hindi(?)

11905, Sept 2 at 0114:46.5, music starts on only S1 carrier; mis-timesignal ends at 0115:18.5, SLBC ID (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. 7205, Aug 27 at 0246, Omdurman is back on after missing last night, now with Qur'an, S9 peaks, avoided by hams (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWAZILAND. 11700, August 28, 2015 at 1759, TWR AFRICA, Female announcer in Oromo. Interval signal with keyboard. ID in English, iThis is Transworld Radio in Swaziland at 1800 then sign off. SINPO 44444 (Ed Sylvester, Baghdad, Iraq, AOR AR-5000A PLUS 3, Indoor Pixel Magnetic Loop, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWEDEN. 30 August 2015 --- Ronny B Goode reported earlier this morning on the WRTH Facebook group:

SBR Radio Revival, Sala will be on the air on 9405 kHz today from 0900 UTC with 10 kW. Programmes:

0900-1000 Radio Nord Revival
1000-1100 Special programme from the Swedish DX Federation SDXF
1100-1200 Relay of live broadcast from Salam%san (the Sala Fair) From Radio Sala 97.0 (Mike Terry, Aug 30, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

1107z, 9405 kHz USB+C (0=4 in Southern Saxony-Anhalt/Germany) //

Internet-Stream Radio Sala 97.0 FM [delta]t 1s earlier
1st: Internetstream
2nd: Shortwave 9405 kHz after 1 second (audio via web, buffered)

<http://www.radiosala.se/>
<http://test.radioavesta.se:9700/>
<http://test.radioavesta.se:9700/listen.pls>

Västmanland Nörradio:
http://radioguiden.se/public/se_en_cr_75219.php
http://radioguiden.se/public/se_sv_nr_info.php?id=12073

<http://www.radiosala.se/>
Fredag 4 september start kl 15.00
- 15.00 78-timmen - Ola Rosengren spelar 78-varvare
- 16.00 Country Box - country & bluegrass-musik med Kenneth Friberg
- 17.00 Radio Nord Revival - musik och jinglar från Radio Nord
- 18.00 Ronny B Goode Show - Ronny spelar vinylskivor från 50-60-talet
- 19.00 International - "Radio City" spelar internationell musik
- 20.00 Hit! - med DJ Peter Valjebeck
[WORLD OF RADIO 1789]

Another station with the RonnyBGood Show:
Radio Österåker 103,7
http://radioguiden.se/public/se_sv_nr_info.php?id=12087

Söndag 30 augusti
17.00 – 18.00 Rock Off (50- o 60-talsmusik) (fr 21/8)
18.00 – 20.00 Björnes Magasin
20.00 – 21.00 The RonnyBGoode Show (fr 26/8)
-2 h = UTC (roger, Germany, ibid.)

I am receiving SBR Radio on 9405 via the Twente SDR website. It is s9+++ but is USB with carrier. Nothing on LSB. Playing pop music with announcements in accented English (Robin L. Harwood, VK7RH, Tasmania, ibid.)

That's right - USB+C, same Modulation like the transmitter in Gåhren 6190, 7265 or 9485 kHz.
http://www.rhci-online.net/files/D-06193_Petersberg_150km_mapping+foF2.png

But Gåhren has 6 kHz AF [audio bandwidth], Sala only small 3 kHz

3 parts of mailbox + music, ~11 MB, 15min, 1018-1033z, 9405 kHz, audio limited to 3 kHz AF

2015-08-30_9405_kHz_USB+C_SDXF_1018z_mailbox-15min.m4a
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<https://app.box.com/s/sxeehlnv1lmp66swk89gc7o2x8c9kgk9>
(Roger, Germany, dxldyg via DXLD)

Shortwave transmissions from Sala, Sweden on Aug 30
Radio Nord Revival, not recorded
0900-1000 on 9405 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to WeEu Swedish CUSB
Special programme from the Swedish DX Federation
1000-1107 on 9405 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to WeEu Swedish CUSB
Relay Radio Sala 97 FM on shortwave, live from the Sala Fair
1107-1208 on 9405 SAL 010 kW / non-dir to WeEu Eng/Swe CUSB
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/shortwave-transmissions-from-sala.html>
(DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

Aug 30: Special programme from the Swedish DX Federation in Swedish to Eu 1015 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ypJF0dLrnGE&feature=youtu.be>

Special programme from the Swedish DX Federation in Swedish to Eu 1030 on 9405 Sala CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6VEp_ScuiRY&feature=youtu.be

Special programme from the Swedish DX Federation in Swedish to Eu 1045 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cVzEHg2gz-M&feature=youtu.be>

Special programme from the Swedish DX Federation in Swedish to Eu 1100 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZnFsNqz7dB4&feature=youtu.be>

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1107 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ToVJocVvzNU&feature=youtu.be>

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1121 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vssVXWYwDEU&feature=youtu.be>

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1129 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jgh9XpI1VYw&feature=youtu.be>

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1144 on 9405 Sala CUSB
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FBjmziphHpA&feature=youtu.be>

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1158 on 9405 Sala CUSB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=egbqag9Im5A&feature=youtu.be>

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1203 on 9405 Sala CUSB

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SHutZOWp_WY&feature=youtu.be

Radio Sala 97 FM, live broadcast from the Sala Fair 1205 on 9405 Sala CUSB

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2V-5CM0FDW4&feature=youtu.be>
(Ivo Ivanov, Sofia, B`lgariya, dxldyg via DXLD)

** UGANDA. Still missing Uganda 4976 since several months, the weeks before only occasional broadcasts (Walter Eibl, P.O. Box 1545, 91005 Erlangen, Germany, Location: Herzogenaurach / Germany; ed., Aug-Sept WWDXC DX Magazine, Aug 29 via DXLD)

** U K. 3950-3955-3960, Sept 1 at 0504, DRM noise, i.e. BBC Woofferton English during this hour only. Haven't heard any AM broadcasts on 75m from Europe since early spring (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. BBC will have additional DRM broadcasts during IBC 2015 conference at Amsterdam

Date : 10th Sept 2015 to 13th Sept, 2015

Frequency : 6040 kHz

Time : 1500 - 1800 UT

Site : Woofferton

Power : 100 kW

Language : English

--- (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, Aug 30, dx_sasia yg via DXLD)

** U K. ICONIC BBC RUSSIAN PRESENTER SEVA NOVGORODSEV MBE TO SIGN OFF AFTER 38 YEARS OF BROADCASTING

1 September 2015. BBC Russian service's iconic presenter, Seva Novgorodsev, will sign off from his programme, BBSeva, for the last time on Friday 4 September 2015, culminating his 38-year broadcasting career with the BBC.

Seva says: "It is really hard to wrap up my 38 and a half years as a BBC broadcaster. How do I say goodbye to my listener? With their response over these decades, my audience have also shaped up my broadcasts and my life. So I'll just say: we are all temporary but the BBC is forever."

Seva started to present BBC Russian's Pop-music Programme from London in 1977, later transforming it into his celebrated Rock-posevy, introducing major recording artists such as Queen, David Bowie, Deep Purple etc to the Soviet audience. A unique window on Western, and

especially British, pop-culture for people in the Soviet Union, the programme made Seva a household name for millions. With his trademark informal, wisecracking style, Seva won himself ñ and the BBC - a vast fan base from across the USSR. The programme also shaped up his fame as the èfirst Russian DJí.

The weekly music-and-chat show, Sevaoborot, which Novgorodsev initiated and authored in 1987, turned into a cult among Russian-speaking radio listeners. Since 2003, Novgorodsevis daily live programme, BBSeva (which has been available on bbcussian.com), has been bringing ènews with a human faceí. It has been looking at current affairs from a human-interest angle, with a special focus on arts and culture.

In 2005, Seva was awarded an MBE for services to radio broadcasting. BBC World Service European Hub Editor, Artyom Liss, comments: iSeva Novgorodsev represents the best the BBC has to offer. Informative, witty, relevant - his broadcasts have been truly legendary. For decades, they occupied a very special place in millions of hearts. Seva is signing off as a broadcaster, but we are not saying farewell - his association with the BBC will continue, albeit in a different format.i

Seváis unique contribution to BBC Russian will be marked with dedicated output. His last broadcast will air live from Pushkin House in London ñ an event with invited guests which will celebrate the pivotal points of Seváis career. The programme will feature many of the people Seva interviewed over the years.

A specially commissioned TV documentary - with the title echoing Seváis famous sign-off iSeva. Seva Novgorodsev. The City of London. BBCí - will air on bbcussian.com and BBC World Serviceís partner TV station in Russia, Dozhd TV on Friday 4 September. Filmed in London, Tallinn and St Petersburg, it tells Seváis amazing story, from childhood in the family of a Soviet sea captain, to shipís officer, to jazz musician, to BBC broadcaster. It features, along with Seva, major Russian cultural figures who speak about the role of his BBC broadcasts in their formation as musicians and as personalities.

Also on Friday 4 September, Seva will hold a live conversation with audiences on the BBC Russian Facebook page. BBC Russian is part of BBC World Service. Ends// (BBCWS PR via Hansjoerg Biener, DXLD)

** U K. Newsnight report on London pirate station Flex FM:
16 minutes 36, some interesting views on FM versus the internet and
why they continue to use FM. Newsnight, 26/08/2015
(Mike Barracough, Aug 27, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

Inside the world of pirate radio --- Pirate radio is still going strong despite the rise of internet radio. For some, it seems, the FM frequency retains an allure strong enough to see them break the law. For Newsnight, Dan Freedman has been tuning in.

Now this report extracted as a 6'27" feature to watch on the BBC News website at:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/entertainment-arts-34073940>

(Alan Pennington, *ibid.*)

Hey, it plays here, not geoblocked! (GH, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 8820, Aug 27 at 2355 I start monitoring on the NRD-545 for the 7520+1300 WWCR+WNQM mixing product to pop on at the same time as 7520 on the PL-880. This happens at *2358:28 but nothing detectable on 8820. Propagation is very degraded and the noise level is high. I was able to hear 8820 carrier before but want to match its cut-on to 7520.

6220, I retune to and find a better than before signal from the 7520 minus 1300 mixing product, registering S8+, music in Spanish past hourtop to 0001 Aug 28 brief unreadable announcement, more music. As previously discovered, this is WMDB 880, ``La Ranchera'', Nashville, buying night-time on WNQM 1300. At first there was audio mix as before from some poor 2-way USB sailor. I couldn't hear much from WWCR on 6220, till just a bit of steel drumming up to 0000 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Shortwave Radio Listeners August 27 at 7:56pm Facebook, (via DXLD)

6220 AM unID Spanish 2345-0040z s7-8, Many Spanish tunes, anns in Spanish, wiped by ute at 0040z *** If anyone knows what/where this station is, I need help ID'ing it. Some have suggested it is an obscure mixing product from WWCR as per Glenn Hauser but I'm not so sure.

Dear Glenn, I've been a fan of your for a long time. I invite you to my Facebook Shortwave page at <https://www.facebook.com/shortwaveradio>

Re: 6220. After finding your info on HFunderground, I read your explanation of the mixing. I listened tonight at the very same time you were tonight, until 0040z when ute QRM took out the signal. It was a clear S7 with mod static crashes. This signal was noted as far back as August 7th but no one knew the origin. I will watch this from here. I am in South-Central VA, using an Elad FDM-S2 & a 5x15M EWE at 290 degrees.

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<http://livestream.com/rafwireless>
<http://www.youtube.com/user/Rafmanne>

<http://twitter.com/Rafmanne>
<http://audioboo.fm/Rafmanne>
<http://picasaweb.google.com/rafwireless> <-Photo Albums
Amateur Radio - K4RAF. Regards, (Chris Crosby, Buggs Island VA,
Broadband: Speed, Distance, Reliability, Cost --- Pick three, DX
LISTENING DIGEST)

6220.0-AM, WMDB Nashville TN, relayed by WNQM 1300, relayed by mixing spur with WWCR-4, 7520 minus 1300. Originally there was a power cut at 0045 UT, official August sunset in Nashville, corresponding to WNQM switch from 50 kW ND day to 5 kW directional night. The signal after then would be detectable but much weaker.

I wasn't listening before 0045 tonight, but surprised to be hearing it at ``high`` power level, 0105 UT Sat August 29, with ranchera music rating S6 vs storm crash peaks at S9. 0106 UT ``La Ranchera`` slogan of WMDB 880. 7520 WWCR is still on to produce the mixture, but I am not hearing much if any audio from it on 6220. 0132 still audible now at ~S7, and at 0144. So did WNQM stay on 50 kW after sunset??

This cannot last past 0158 when 7520 switches to 5890 UT Tue-Sat --- and one might reasonably expect to find the next SW-minus-MW mix on 5890 minus 1300 = 4590, but not sought lately. That will be on air all night; but 5890 doesn't start until 0400 UT Sundays, 0300 UT Mondays. 7520 is not on air at all weekends, so no 6220 possible till UT Tuesday, but under these circumstances we should still hear it in September when WNQM supposedly cuts to night power and pattern at 0000 UT just as 7520 is starting.

8820, Aug 31 at 2355 I am sitting on this with NRD-545 BFO offset, to detect if and when a carrier come up here, 1300 kHz above 7520 WWCR which is about to turn on, with the PL-880 USB tuned to 7519. Yes! Both appear at exactly the same time, *2358:47 UT, so this SW + MW mixing product is confirmed.

I immediately retune to the SW minus MW mix on 6220, which is much stronger and hear the usual WWCR steel drum IS mixing with Spanish. 6220, UT Sept 1 at 0000, WMDB, Nashville TN via WNQM via WWCR, ranchera music continues while briefly hear CCI from USB Spanish mariner who again loses his legit 2-way frequency.

By 0015, 6220 rates S7, while 8820 is about S4, generally below the noise level; at 0038 I can hear a trace of Spanish music on 8820. At 0043 I am back on 6220 to detect whether there's a power cut at 0045. Meanwhile, I measure it more like 6219.97; at 0044 it does seem weaker vs the noise level, about S5 tho no abrupt cut was obvious; by 0058 it's a JBA carrier. 8820 at 0046 is also a JBA carrier; it was so weak in the first place that hard to tell if it's diminished now, but

perhaps.

7520 itself, Sept 1 at 0052, rates 70 over S9! But it's dead air!
Finally at 0057, WWCR ID and promos as modulation resumes.

WWCR transmitter schedules expired August 31:

<http://www.wwcr.com/transmitter-sched.html>

So it remains to be seen or heard whether 7520 will continue at 00-02 UT Tue-Sat only, and with it 1300 kHz above and below, mix with WNQM and its relay of WMDB. As I pointed out before, the official Sept sunset time for WNQM to reduce from 50 to 5 kW and go directional is now 0000 UT, so the ``full power'' 6220 spur would nominally exist only from 2358:47 to 2400. That's why I am especially satisfied to get the 8820 one confirmed at what may have been the last chance (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Logged 6220 again tonight so I guess it will remain that way. It was an S7 here in VA, 0000z on Elad S2 & 5x15M EWE beamed 290 degs.

Regards, (Chris, UT Sept 2, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6220-AM, Sept 2 at 0056 UT check, JBA carrier, much stronger than JJBA carrier on 8820, i.e. the WWCR 7520 plus/minus WNQM 1300 mixes, no doubt still relaying WMDB 880 Nashville TN, La Ranchera. 6220 still audible at 0145 with ranchera music, Spanish, but not 8820.

New NRC AM Log for 1300 does not mention WMDB relay but 24h WNQM as ``Radio Vida`` --- is that branding still in effect at any hours? So now into September, WNQM should be cutting 1300 from 50 kW ND to 5 kW directional night power at 0000 UT, but still enough to be detected on the two SW frequencies. I was going to look up the morning transition time, but FCC website is down until Sept 8 as per this intercept:

<https://www.fcc.gov/blog/modernizing-fcc-s-it>

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) More ordinary WWCR logs below

** U S A. 7267.5-LSB, Aug 31 at 0130, looking for Hurricane Watch Network, but some other net just interested in making quick contacts, exchanging signal reports, including: KB4TBF, KM4MUR, N2XTT, N5UZQ, WD4T. Apparently Erika is no longer such a threat to FL? Nothing heard earlier on 14325-USB either (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Bloodhound 300 flight in prep for Atlas V launch:
10780 kHz USB 1735z: Cape Radio working "Bloodhound 300" (NP-3D, NAS Point Mugu Calif); flight preparing for Monday's launch of Atlas V from Cape Canaveral. (28/Aug/2015) (Al Stern, Florida). (AL STERN Satellite Beach FL, <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SpaceCoastComms> ODFA yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

10780 is a Cape Radio frequency going way back to the active years of

the US manned space program; certainly worth a check now & then: note to self at least (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** U S A. Per John Wilkins in Wheat Ridge CO, the Denver area studio relay on 25950 is back on relaying 93.3 FM. In late July, it was off the air (MARE Tipsheet Aug 28 vi DXLD) KB99696/KTCL; see DXLD 15-27

** U S A. BBG SLEEPWALKS THROUGH RFE/RL CRISIS
BBG Watch > Board Notes > BBG sleepwalks through RFE/RL crisis
Stengel-Schapiro-Pejic-RFERL-Nov2014

BBGWatcher August 30, 2015 0 Comments
Board Notes, Featured News, Hot Tub Blog
BBG Watch Guest Commentary

This commentary was written by a former senior Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG) official who wants to remain anonymous because of numerous contacts with both former and current BBG staffers and Washington policy makers. The writer comments on a management crisis which has been developing at Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) for some time and on what the writer sees as BBG's lack of effective handling of U.S. international media outreach in response to threats from Putin and ISIS.

All views expressed are those of the author.

BBG sleepwalks through RFE/RL crisis
By A Former High-Level Broadcasting Board of Governors Official

RFE/RL is in deep crisis. It can't get powerful programming on the air in a timely fashion or of the quantity needed, due in no small part to having no senior leadership for more than a year in a half. What its language desks actually put on the air is rarely scrutinized, and it certainly is part of no overall strategy.

The BBG sleepwalks through this crisis, enjoying seminars on interesting topics for its members, but apparently little time spent to fix the cascading problems. They have now had nearly two years to tackle Ukraine, and they were made aware of the issues now involving IG [Inspector General] and other government agencies for more than a year. Instead they have tried to cover their inaction with repeated self-backslapping and ludicrous claims that they have made sweeping changes.

Some change: no CEO, and the embarrassment of the Andy Lack foolishness; no RFE/RL president for nearly two years; no VOA director; half and hour of programming to Ukraine; an adolescent management troika at the BBG level with daggers drawn for one another;

and a remaining cast of ineffective or compromised senior network executives that should have been swept out in this board's first few weeks.

One hopes that new CEO John Lansing will come up to speed on international broadcasting -- its history, its mission, its modalities -- rapidly, and quickly surmount the strong corridor skepticism among VOA and RFE/RL professionals and alumni about the probability of his successfully translating his experience at the Food Network or DIY Networking to US international broadcasting.

Will he even be here in a year, especially when he realizes that he really has little power, the BBG probably will not support his efforts to alter today's failing trajectory, and few trips to the White House are likely to be offered as a reward for accepting this weak position?

Has he any hope of success without a strongly committed BBG? It's hard to imagine. Thus the larger questions loom: Is anyone on this BBG really involved in its mission, and are they prepared to take risks to make it succeed?

Or do the governors simply enjoy the perks of a substantial tax payer-provided travel budget enabling junkets to exotic places while defaulting to what evidently is its preferred modus operandi of ignoring USIB's real problems while drowning criticism in a torrent of over-inflated bombast trumpeting invisible successes?

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A note and commentary from BBG Watch

RFE/RL has been without permanent leadership for a sesquiyear since highly respected media executive and journalist Kevin Klose retired in March 2014. John Giambalvo, who along with Nenad Pejic had been named an Interim Manager and co-CEO of RFE/RL by RFE/RL's Board of Directors [composed of BBG board members] effective March 2, 2014, announced last Saturday that he will depart RFE/RL within a week.

While not nearly as mismanaged as the BBG's International Broadcasting Bureau (IBB) and the Voice of America (VOA), and still delivering some excellent programs, RFE/RL has put online recently several news reports which critics describe as falling for Russia's or Iran's propaganda.

RFE/RL's performance has not been consistently good; VOA's performance even less so, with critics putting the blame on the BBG board and its IBB executive staff.

READ: Radio Free Europe Flacks for Iranian Terrorist Commander, Sean Durns, SNAPSHOTS CAMERA Blog, August 26, 2015 [linked]

Recently a Wall Street Journal editorial writer Sohrab Ahmari commented on even more disturbing violations of journalistic standards in Iran coverage by the Voice of America, RFE/RL's sister broadcaster which is also overseen by the Broadcasting Board of Governors.

READ: "Selling Policy With the Voice of America," Sohrab Ahmari, Wall Street Journal, August 12, 2015 [linked]

Neither Mr. Giambalvo's message to the staff nor Mr. Pejic's message in response to Mr. Giambalvo's announcement mentioned any controversies connected with RFE/RL's operations.

Even though there are rumors of serious management problems at the organization, some of which are believed to be under investigation by the BBG and possibly other government units, both Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty co-CEO managers presented a highly positive picture of RFE/RL, as did recently BBG Interim CEO and Director Andre Mendes in discussing employee morale at the federal part of the agency (RFE/RL is a non-federal BBG grantee entity).

"RFE/RL is at the forefront of responding to recent terrible world events. I am proud of what we all have accomplished and I hope I have been able to support you and all of our colleagues as you pursue our noble mission. I look forward to seeing RFE/RL continue to move forward." -- John Giambalvo, August 29, 2015

"I think it is fair to say that in these eighteen months, we moved the company to the next level and toward a brighter future. We are in a time of growth, RFE/RL is a leader within U.S. international media, and every day I see evidence that we succeeded in our goal to get the best people doing the best possible work to support our mission. John's contributions to this have been crucial, and it would not have been possible without him. It will be extremely difficult to fill his shoes." -- Nenad Pejic, August 29, 2015

"Here is hoping that our results [Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey (FEVS)] in September reflect a new era in our Agency's outlook and that we make substantial gains in our rankings as compared with the other Government Agencies. Onward and upward!" -Andre V. Mendes, BBG Interim Chief Executive Officer and Director, July 27, 2015
(BBG Watch via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

** U S A. 7405, Aug 27 by 0250, another GB transmitter is on OC prior to taking over R. Martí at 0300. So I look for a leapfrog from that over 7365 another 40 kHz lower on 7325; and indeed there is a JBA

carrier but can't match any audio, as it would typically be mainly from the further signal which is still dead air. HFCC shows no fundamental scheduled around then on 7325 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Cf VATICAN [non], the 7425 leapfrog, 7305 over 7365

VOA Radiogram this weekend includes an experiment in which an MFSK32 image is transmitted with the usual center audio frequency of 1500 Hz, then again at 2000 Hz, where there is less noise, to see if there is less "noise" in the decoded image.

Also science news from VOA about Middle East pollution, marine biodiversity in Asia, and plastic debris in the Pacific Ocean.

Details:

VOA Radiogram, 29-30 August 2015: MFSK image at 1500 Hz, then 2000 Hz

This weekend's VOA Radiogram will include an experiment suggested by Mark in the UK. Mark notices that interference to MFSK images comes from RF noise ...

VOA Radiogram transmission schedule

(all days and times UT):

Sat 0930-1000 5745 kHz

Sat 1600-1630 17870 kHz

Sun 0230-0300 5745 kHz

Sun 1930-2000 15670 kHz

All via the Edward R. Murrow transmitting station in North Carolina.

(Kim Elliott, Aug 29, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Re: VOA Radiogram, Aug 29-30 --- My issue appears to be fading rather than noise, so as expected the 2000Hz-centred image was no cleaner than the 1500Hz-centred one, 1600-1630 Saturday (it was noisier due to more fading). 73 (David MOOSA Smith, Sent from my iPhone, dxldyg via DXLD)

That's my impression, too. As I wrote here:

http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2015-08-29.htm#VOA

"The location of the MFSK-mode in the AF area does not have any significant influence on the quality of the images. The horizontal noise stripes originate from instantaneous fading dips and this affect the entire decoded audio-range. If higher AF-frequencies are used, the risk of QRM influences from adjacent channels maybe increases, when demodulation in pure AM." (roger, Germany, ibid.)

** U S A. THE DJ WHO SHOOK THE SOVIET UNION WITH JAZZ

Voice of America DJ Willis Conover is up for a postage stamp to honor

his work in exporting jazz, especially to short-wave radio listeners in the old Soviet Bloc, as Doug Ramsey at The Wall Street Journal notes. A stamp would be a minimal tribute, given the remarkable role Conover played during the Cold War, though it would be just about the only "official" recognition he has ever received.

During Conover's four decades as a Voice of America (VOA) DJ from 1955 through the mid-1990s, he upended communist cultural policy just by playing prohibited "degenerate" American music that his overseas audience longed to hear. Most Americans have never heard of him, but in the postwar era he was one of the best-known, and certainly one of the most popular, Americans in the world. He had millions of devoted followers in Eastern Europe alone; his worldwide audience in his heyday has been estimated at up to 30 million people.

Conover managed to tour Soviet Bloc cities occasionally during East-West thaws, and, to his great surprise, was greeted at airports like a celebrity by huge cheering crowds. Moscow cabdrivers recognized him solely on the basis of his distinctive baritone voice...

<http://www.newsweek.com/dj-who-shook-soviet-union-jazz-360935>

(via Bob Wilkner, DXLD)

** U S A [and non]. WORLD OF RADIO 1788 monitoring: confirmed second SW broadcast, Thursday Aug 27 at 2100 on WRMI 7570, sufficient. Next:
2130 UT Friday WRMI 15770
2130.5 UT Friday WRMI 7570
2330 UT Friday WRMI 5850
0630 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB
1430 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB
1930vUT Saturday WA0RCR 1860-AM
0315vUT Sunday WA0RCR 1860-AM
2300 UT Sunday WRMI 11580
0300vUT Monday WBCQ 5110v Area 51
0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955
1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v

WORLD OF RADIO 1788 monitoring: confirmed Friday August 28 at 2130 on WRMI 15770, and now much better at 2130.5 on WRMI 7570. Next:
2330 UT Friday WRMI 5850
0630 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB
1430 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB [please confirm: not audible Wednesday]
1930vUT Saturday WA0RCR 1860-AM
0315vUT Sunday WA0RCR 1860-AM
2300 UT Sunday WRMI 11580

0300vUT Monday WBCQ 5110v Area 51
0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955
1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v

WORLD OF RADIO 1788 monitoring: confirmed Friday August 28 at 2330 on WRMI-12, 5850, good signal on their lowest frequency, not much subject to propagation disturbances, and on 315 degree antenna right across the middle of North America; can only improve into fall and winter, so I hope we can keep this time & frequency. Next:

0630 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB
1430 UT Saturday HLR 7265-CUSB [please confirm: not audible Wednesday]
1930vUT Saturday WA0RCR 1860-AM
0315vUT Sunday WA0RCR 1860-AM
2300 UT Sunday WRMI 11580
0300vUT Monday WBCQ 5110v Area 51
0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955
1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v

Saturday at 1430 when World of Radio is supposed to be on, No signal audible from Hamburger Lokalradio on 7265 via UTwente. Same as on Wednesdays. Can anyone hear it? Even Tom Taylor? 73, (Glenn Hauser, OK, Aug 29, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

World of Radio confirmed here on 7265 at 1440 UT tune-in but it's a very weak signal, S10 242 at best, improving slightly at 1445. I think that Twente, being that much closer to Germany, must be in the skip zone. 73s (Dave Kenny, Caversham Berks UK, AOR 7030+ 25m long wire, ibid.)

Again, nothing on 7265 audible via UTwente SDR, Wednesday Sept 2 at 1430. City-to-city distance G^hren to Twente is 511 km = 318 statute miles. G^hren is in the NE corner of Germany on the coast north of Berlin, and Twente is in eastern Netherlands. 1044 km = 649 stmi G^hren to Caversham (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

This morning via Twente signals from Germany only on 3985 kHz and 3995 kHz. Not even a carrier visible on 49 m and 41 m. 73 (Harald Kuhl, Germany, ibid.)

Hi Glenn, No problem here in northwest England, I just finished

listening to it. It wasn't very strong, especially at the start, but was perfectly readable throughout much of the last 20 minutes (Alan Gale, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Next:

2300 UT Sunday WRMI 11580
0300vUT Monday WBCQ 5110v Area 51
0330 UT Monday WRMI 9955
1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[non] Hi Glenn, I've just listened to World of Radio on Challenger Radio 846 kHz, fair steady reception in Bologna though some QRM from 855. Not heard on 567 / 1368 due to QRM and noise. Rx Sangean ATS 909.
2100 IRRS ID, news
2104-2115 World of Radio
2115 religious program.
73, (Stefano Valianti, Italy, Sunday Aug 30, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

In making broadcast agreements with stations, I normally require that WOR be broadcast in its entirety and without interruption. Should I insist on this with IRRS, or is something better than nothing? It is true that WOR is made up of numerous unrelated fragments (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD) See also ITALY

WORLD OF RADIO 1788 monitoring: confirmed Sunday August 30 at 2300 on WRMI 11580; sufficient. Also confirmed from 0322 UT Monday August 31 on WBCQ 5109.7-CUSB Area 51; and 0330 Monday on WRMI 9955. Both checked first on webcast, then confirmed after 0330 on SW. Next:

1100 UT Tuesday WRMI 9955
0630 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
1315 UT Wednesday WRMI 9955
1430 UT Wednesday HLR 7265-CUSB
2100 UT Wednesday WBCQ 7490v

WORLD OF RADIO 1788 monitoring: confirmed Wednesday Sept 2 at 1315 on WRMI 9955; good, no jamming (preceded by FG Radio reading from Gandhi complaining about railways in India; followed by Viva Miami about hurricane preparedness). WOR Also confirmed on WBCQ 7490 webcast, Wednesday at 2100.

WORLD OF RADIO 1789 monitoring: ready for first broadcasts Sept 3:
Thu 1130 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Thu 2100 WRMI 7570 to NW
Fri 2130 WRMI 15770 to NE

Fri 2130.5 WRMI 7570 to NW
Fri 2330 WRMI 5850 to NW
Sat 0630 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Sat 1930v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND?
Sun 0315v WA0RCR 1860-AM ND?
Sun 2300 WRMI 11580 to NE
Mon 0300v WBCQ 5110v Area 51 to WSW
Mon 0330 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Tue 1100 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 0630 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Wed 1315 WRMI 9955 to SSE
Wed 1430 HLR 7265-CUSB to SW
Wed 2100 WBCQ 7490v to WSW

Full WOR schedule:

<http://www.worldofradio.com/radioskd.html>
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 9330.1-CUSB, Aug 27 at 0222, WBCQ is back on here, after curtailment to one hour a day, testing? 'Allan Weiner Worldwide' playback as he is talking about SAQ and the Alexandersen Alternator VLF tests and coordinated ham activity on 7035, 14035, 3755 SSB, then on to mailbag. Reduced carrier still on, but dead air when 9330 rechecked at 0246.

7489.95-AM, UT Sat Aug 29 at 0145 tune-in to 'Allan Weiner Worldwide' live on WBCQ, running way over, but why not? Good signal and // 5110.0-AM (DSB plus carrier) which is much weaker in noise; and 9330 is not on. He's had a long phone call with Anthony(?) a young person laudably interested in radio; now starts going thru some pirate logs from the latest Free Radio Weekly, mentions that a lot of them are by Glenn Hauser.

This prompts Scott Becker to call in, suggesting they ``drag'' me to the next WinterFest, where I have ``never been'', ungluing me from my chair (tho I do go to the PO Box, they admit). Suggests putting a poll on the WBCQ website whether people would like to meet me, ``a friggin' institution'' at the next Fest. Scott also threatens to visit me from his place 50 miles away in Kansas. 0151 back to some more FRW pirate logs.

5109.7-USB, Aug 31 at 0057, Area 51 via WBCQ, Johnny Lightning, something about clitoral stimulation and Niagra; RNI jingle, discussing Trump; S9+15-20, and back on the SSB transmitter unlike last night when AM on-frequency. On webcast keeps going way past 0300 with politico/religious comments about Huckabee, et al. Finally his prostate calls upon him to use the facilities and starts to play tune

on his webcast, but WBCQ cuts away to start WOR 1788 at 0322.

9330.05-USB, Sept 1 at 0011, screaming gospel huxter, or rather a few words in more or less normal tones, then Tourette's syndrome erupting into an incomprehensible scream several times per minute. This daily 00-01 UT broadcast of the 'Full Gospel Hour' is now WBCQ's sole customer on 9330 (tho we also heard an unsked repeat of AWWW). He's also on the WWCR schedule: Sun 23-24 on 9350, Terry Blalock. Searching on that name only gets hits for seemingly normal otherpeople. Except here's a clip courtesy of Bulgaria:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U2Q0TCncirI>

Recheck at 0100, now it's up to 9330.15-CUSB, playing WBCQ IS & ID, then generic sign-off by Allan Weiner to 0101*.

5109.7-CUSB, Sept 2 at 0105, WBCQ is back to Brother Scare, // 7490 a split second behind, with BS about Obama being a Moslem. BS comes and goes on 5110, but still missing from schedule as of Sept 4:

<http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=sked&freq=5110>

maybe a mistake? He is on 7490 sked 01-03 UT Tue-Sat, weekends longer:

http://schedule.wbcq.com/main.php?fn=show_program&id=56

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also SOUTH CAROLINA [non]

** U S A. 5950, AWR. [Fri] 27/8 2350 UT. Programa iWavescaní con informaciones diexistas en inglés, especialmente de la VOA, WRMI y WWCR. Identificación del programa con dirección en Indiana. E ID en castellano, a las 2359 de WRMI solicitando informes de recepción. SINPO: 44444 con leve QRM de Radio Pio XII (Claudio Galaz Toledo, RX: REALISTIC DX-160, ANT: 30 metros de antena de hilo, m-s 20 metros de antena de tierra y balón de ferrita 3:1, QTH: Ovalle, Chile, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** U S A. 3185, Aug 27 at 0208, no signal from WWRB; because the transmitter is on 9370 late? No, that's off too. Only on 5050 with BS; 3185 still off at 0251 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5883.1 & 5895.23, Aug 27 at 0213, intermittent parasitic spur carriers coming out of the 5890 WWCR transmitter. Can't they make them match?? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

See head of USA section for 6220, 8820 mixing products

15825, WWCR Nashville TN; 2025, 3-Sep; "WorldWide Christian Radio" program promos into knee-slappin', banjo-pickin' gospel tune Washed in the Blood of the Lamb (yuk, metaphorical or not). SI0=3+54 (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 11870, Aug 28 at 0014, WEWN is quite weak with Doppler flutter on the carrier due to propagation disturbance (see BIAFRA), as are some but not all other degraded US signals. No such problem affects the lower WRMI frequencies, altho bands above 12 MHz are nearly dead (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 5085, Aug 29 at 0155, open carrier/dead air at 50 to 60 over S9 level from WTWW-2, with some hum as always. I assume Ted is about to play DJ prior to the 0400 'Midnight [sic] in the Desert' Art Bell broadcast, as I think he does most weeknights.

5085, UT Sunday Aug 30 at 0109, WTWW-2 is off, so no QSO show tonight.

12104.94, Aug 30 at 0134, instead Ted is transmitting WTWW-3 with nothing but 30 over 9 dead air here except for some hum.

5090.175, Aug 31 at 0101, WTWW-2 is on 5085.0 and putting out intermittent spur here with same modulation; then another one pinpointed to 5088.7 on the NRD-545 with very fine tuning.

12104.94, Sept 1 at 0014, WTWW-3 with open-carrier/dead air, depriving their Russian listener in the middle of the night. Still dead at 0044, 0104 chex by when should have been back into SFAW English. Wake up, Ted! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9475, WTWW, Lebanon TN (presumed); 1853-1900+, 1-Sep; Permanently perverse Pastor Pete Peters pontificating about sexual perverts & Hollywood low-lifes; talked about a new feature coming in 1993 (huxterage never goes out of date); spot for on-line reception reports for Scriptures for America at SFAWBN.com. No ToH ID, into more preposterous preachifying from permanently prone Pastor Pete Peters. SI0=354 fady (Harold Frogde, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bowtie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Upcoming frequency change of WHRI Angel 1 effective from September 6

0445-0500 NF 9825 250 kW / 047 deg to WeEu English Sat EGN, ex 11635
0500-0600 NF 9825 250 kW / 047 deg to WeEu English Sat-Thu, ex 11635
0500-0515 NF 9825 250 kW / 047 deg to WeEu French Fri, ex 11635
0515-0600 NF 9825 250 kW / 047 deg to WeEu English Fri, ex 11635

EGN=Eternal Good News

(DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

** U S A. 670, Aug 28 at 0608 UT, CBS Sports Radio, loops ESE conveniently with WSCR Chicago nulled, which is also CBS but not same programming. Obviously it's 5 kW ``daytimer'', KHGZ Glenwood AR,

cheating yet again, and blocking reception of Cuba further away (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 810, FLORIDA, WRS0, Orlovista. 1046 August 24, 2015. Noticed someone weak just pre-sunrise with sports the day before, suspected this one. Today, sports talk, mention of CBS Sports Radio, an Orlando attorney ad, "... CBS Sports Radio Orlando... WRS0... 93.1 and 94.1 FM..." which are translators W22BT and W231CT respectively. And is it Orlovista or Orlo Vista? That's murky. Wiki states, "While the spelling "Orlo Vista" is used by the U.S. Postal Service, the community is shown as Orlovista on federal maps." But that's not the end of it. The Google shows we have an Orlo Vista Elementary School, an Orlo Vista Chamber of Commerce. and an Orlo Vista Park. So locally, Orlo Vista wins. NRC AM Log lists as Orlovista (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 880 [non]. WMDB relays via WNQM 1300 via WWCR 6220 & 8820: see first item in U S A department above

** U S A. 880-CUSB, Aug 27 at 0224 UT from E/W, sermon and outro as ``encore 2015`` on 'Truth for Life'. This IDs my unID of almost 24 hours earlier not as KLRE Arkansas, but as KHAC Tse Bonito NM, the Christian Navajo station, when I did not think to detect whether it was lacking any lower sideband which is the case now; quite an oddity for the MW band, and not obvious with ordinary AM tuning. Also obvious that KHAC keeps running 10 kW day power at night, non-directional; no mere 430 watts, this! Aug FCC LSR/LSS: 1230/0200 UT; Sept: 1300/0130 UT. Much better than talk in English on 770, presumably KKOB (Santa Fe?)

880, Aug 28 at 0557 UT, open carrier with KRVN nulled, facilitating log of XEPNK (see MEXICO), i.e. KHAC Tse Bonito NM, with modulation resumed by 0613 UT in Jesus song on USB only.

880-CUSB, Sept 1 at 0559, weather for Navajo Nation, KHAC ID, Tse (pronounced Say) Bonito, NM, and ``good night`` as if closing down, but continues with hymn (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. UNIDENTIFIED. 1560, Aug 31 at 0602 UT, partial ID ``PN 101.5`` amid heavy QRM, then ESPN's Sports-Center; on the FRG-7 with longwire, so no DFing; I was rechecking for the YSR unID, but none of it now. 2015 NRC AM Log for 1560 shows no FM // 101.5 for an ESPN station or anything else. So I reverse search, the WTFDA FM Database on 101.5 for an ESPN, and get one hit:
WTHX 101.5 VINE GROVE KY 6.0 99.0 ESPN RADIO 101.5 SPORTS ---

That's SSW of Louisville. So is there a 1560 near there? Three in KY,

the closest one being WKDO in Liberty, 1 kW daytimer, but supposed to be rock/oldies. Radio-Locator agrees. That's in south-central KY, 107 km or 66 miles from Vine Grove, not too likely a share. Also WKDO has its own FM (not a translator) on 98.7. And WTHX has no known connexion with any 1560 station:

<http://espnky.com/wthx/>

So maybe this was a totally false lead, meaning that some other 1560 ESPN now has an FM // on 101.5. How about the ESPN website? Affiliate list

<http://sports.espn.go.com/espnradio/story?id=6197767>
claims to be ``Updated: February 28, 2013, 12:16 PM ET``! And it's not a list but a Google map, unfriendly to search. KZQQ 1560 Abilene TX has been ESPN in the past but is apparently Fox Sports currently. I give up for now. Any other ideas? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn: -- Your ESPN/1560 appears to be WMBH

https://www.google.com/?gws_rd=ssl#q=ESPN+FM+101.5+%26+am+1560
73z ñ (GREG HARDISON, CA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Tnx, Greg. Good: the new NRC AM Log had WMBH's FM // as KSHQ 100.7, and in fact 100.7 is still shown at the WMBH website:
<http://espnjoplin.com/wmbh/>

But on Facebook Aug 25 they do refer to 101.5: ``Tune in daily to ESPN Radio Joplin from 5-6p and Fridays 12p-2p on 1560 AM /101.5 FM and the WMBH App.''

Here's the significant FB item: ``ESPN Joplin - The Sports Edge June 22 [2015] ESPN Radio now has a new FM station here in Joplin, along with 1560 AM we are now a simulcast with 101.5 FM! Great signal with larger reach. The Sports Edge, Joplin Blasters, and all other ESPN Programming can now be heard on both stations.''

FCC FM Query shows 101.5 in Joplin is a mere translator, K268CP, first an APP, then a CP for 15 WATTS. Another unrelated translator is listed on 100.5, but no 100.7 for Joplin itself. KSHQ 100.7 is 17.7 kW licensed to Deerfield MO, which is too insignificant to appear in the Rand McNally Atlas index. Radio-locator shows its site is on the KS side of the border, SSE of Fort Scott KS, = NNW of Joplin which is between its Distant and Fringe contours. Then I find Deerfield on the map, east of Fort Scott KS, west of Nevada MO. So the 15-watt translator can't possibly have a ``larger reach`` than a 17.7 kW station, but it is certainly closer to Joplin.

Radio-Locator acknowledges the WMBH/K268CP connexion, but shows:

``Parent Station Address:

611 Main St
Joplin, MO 64801

Please Note: This address comes from the FCC's database and may not be up to date. For verified radio station mailing addresses, please look at our mailing list options.

K268CP-FM [sic] Technical Info:

This station is operating under a Construction Permit:

Parent Station WMBH-AM [sic]

Status Currently Off the Air FM Translator [Help]

Frequency 101.5 MHz

City Joplin, Missouri

Effective Radiated Power 15 Watts``

But no coverage map to facilitate coverage evaluation circaJoplin.
BTW, address for WMBH is listed in NRC AM Log as across the border in Wyandotte OK, which is way up in Ottawa County, NE corner of OK, the town SE of Miamuh OK. I wasn't aware Metro Joplin extended that far (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Interesting, must have a STA for the translator it's shown as a CP with an AP[plication] in the FM Query (Wayne Heinen, NRC AM Log, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Re: KXOL-1660 [Brigham City UT], Resurrecting a quiet thread. I think they still must be broadcasting illegally as I have heard Mexican style Spanish on 1660 in my car (under splatter from my local SS talk on 1650) the past few mornings as I drive to work around 7 am here in the western Denver area. The Spanish I am hearing can't be KTIQ in California as they should not be on day power yet and I have never heard them at any time. No way I am hearing WCNZ in Florida. There should be nothing from Mexico on 1660. I can only conclude it must be DKXOL broadcasting. (John];') Kugellagers, Sept 2, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. 1700, Aug 30 at 0554 UT, Tejano music loops SSE/NNW, no doubt KKLF Richardson (Dallas) TX, reactivated once again. More of it Aug 31 at 0043 UT check, atop frequency, altho no ID caught yet. Similar but not // to 1540 KEDA San Antonio. KKLF may be sporadic (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. NCAA FOOTBALL INTERNET BROADCAST IN MANDARIN CHINESE Interesting? (Eric Loy, Sports Director, Neuhoff Media, Danville, WDAN D102 K-ROCK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Viz.:

From: Neal, Derek R [drneal@illinois.edu]

Sent: Thursday, August 27, 2015 11:58 AM

Subject: Fighting Illini Football to Broadcast in Mandarin Chinese

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: Aug. 27, 2015

Athletics Communication Contacts: Kent Brown (217-333-1391) and Derek Neal (217-244-3707)

Story Link <<http://bit.ly/IlliniMandarinRadio>>

FIGHTING ILLINI FOOTBALL

Illinois Football to Broadcast in Mandarin Chinese

New listening option to debut September 4 on FIGHTINGILLINI.COM

Champaign, Ill. — Illinois Athletics and the Fighting Illini Radio Network, under the direction of Fighting Illini Sports Properties, have announced that home football games at Memorial Stadium will be broadcast in Mandarin Chinese online through FIGHTINGILLINI.COM

<[https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?
u=http-3A-_FIGHTINGILLINI.COM&d=AwMFaQ&c=8hUWFZcy2Z-Za5rBP1kt0Q&r=0vbfHMn1MzRD1_A0u8QmQUPOfOB-EZhuZ7WB0rr6pUA&m=wUVJopWm9dKv0je8aYQFLIZkXwof-sYcMKf40L60NbA&s=amoIN2rYowNoFYhRWprxYbHPfk6KTxnyHzswUuB7rAk&e=>](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=http-3A-_FIGHTINGILLINI.COM&d=AwMFaQ&c=8hUWFZcy2Z-Za5rBP1kt0Q&r=0vbfHMn1MzRD1_A0u8QmQUPOfOB-EZhuZ7WB0rr6pUA&m=wUVJopWm9dKv0je8aYQFLIZkXwof-sYcMKf40L60NbA&s=amoIN2rYowNoFYhRWprxYbHPfk6KTxnyHzswUuB7rAk&e=>).

The broadcast will be led by David He, a sophomore majoring in Recreation, Sport, and Tourism. David will be joined by Bruce Lu.

Over 4,500 students from China attend the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, making them the largest group of international students on campus. The number of Chinese students attending Illinois has gradually increased from 850 students in the fall of 2005 to more than five times that number today.

"Our goal with this is to better reach all Fighting Illini fans, whether they attend school here in Champaign-Urbana or have graduated and are living abroad" said Senior Associate Director of Athletics Mike Waddell <<http://fightingillini.com/staff.aspx?staff=101>>. "We are very excited to reach both Chinese students and alumni and give them the option to enjoy Illinois football in Mandarin Chinese. We hope that this is the first of many international outreach efforts for Fighting Illini Athletics."

Broadcasting football games in Chinese is the latest effort in a series of moves to better connect with international students on campus. Beginning in 2013, Illinois Athletics has partnered with Inclusive Illinois, the Chinese Students and Scholars Association and the International Student and Scholar Services office to host Football 101 — an interactive and educational session about the basics of football taught by the Fighting Illini football team; and Basketball Carnival — an open gym focusing on the fundamentals of basketball with the Fighting Illini women's basketball team.

The English language broadcast, featuring Brian Barnhart, Martin O'Donnell and Carey Davis on the call, will be broadcast on the statewide 43-station

<<http://bit.ly/FISNAffiliates>>

Fighting Illini Sports Network and on FIGHTINGILLINI.COM

<http://www.fightingillini.com/sports/2015/8/13/fisn_audio.aspx>.

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- FIGHTINGILLINI.COM - (via Eric Loy, Aug 27, DXLD)

Certainly an oddity, but surely the Chinese students at UIUC are already fluent in English for academic purposes (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** U S A. WITHOUT NATIONAL SUPPORT, RURAL RADIO STATIONS FACE AN UNCERTAIN FUTURE

Marty Durlin Opinion Aug. 18, 2015 Web Exclusive Writers on the Range
<http://www.hcn.org/articles/without-national-support-rural-radio-stations-face-an-uncertain-future>

From a singlewide trailer perched atop a mesa south of Moab, Utah, KZMU community radio began broadcasting in 1992. It took nine years for the station to build a modest studio next door, but the station kept growing, and in 2008, KZMU erected a solar array to power its electrical needs. Now 23 years old, this scrappy public radio station has become a Moab institution.

But KZMU is threatened. The Corporation for Public Broadcasting ó the agency that's supposed to help small rural radio stations ó is withdrawing its support next year, leaving KZMU high and dry without federal dollars.

Why? Because the Corporation for Public Broadcasting has decided that

KZMU is "too small to survive." The station's lean operation and donor base have not come up to the standards CPB expects of its grantees. That's not all: KZMU, originally funded because it provided "sole service," no longer qualifies in that category because public stations based in Salt Lake City and Logan now beam into Moab.

But Salt Lake City and Logan aren't Moab, and KZMU, which gets by with a part-time staff and volunteers, is responsible for informing the 5,000 residents of the area about what's happening in their community. That is why KZMU does live broadcasts of city council meetings while also airing hot regional issues: overcrowding in the surrounding national parks, proposals for tar-sands mining and a nuclear power plant, and the burden of what Edward Abbey prophetically called "industrial tourism."

Some 70 volunteer DJs create idiosyncratic programs with names like Jah Morning, Trailer Park Companion, Atomic Lounge, and Free Speech Friday. KZMU also produces a daily module featuring sixth-graders spelling and defining challenging words.

But KZMU's donors come primarily from Moab's permanent residents, and most of them work at low-paying seasonal jobs in the tourist industry. Without the stable financial support of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, which for two decades has provided roughly half of KZMU's annual budget -- CPB contributed \$70,000 this year -- Moab's community radio station probably would not exist. CPB was created in 1968 to support public broadcasting, disbursing some \$400 million in federal money this year to about 1,400 radio and TV stations.

Unfortunately, other small stations are also on CPB's chopping block. Some have yet to receive any funding. KPOV, for example, the only noncommercial station in Bend, Oregon, was denied three times even though it met CPB's stated criteria.

"By the time we applied, they knew they were changing their rules to serve only big stations," KPOV station manager Pearl Stark says. "Yes, we're small, but we're serving our community. ... I wish they'd judge us by our value to the community in ways other than money."

Sally Kane, who directs the National Federation of Community Broadcasters, an advocacy group for grassroots stations, says the current metrics -- things like financial support and number of listeners -- may sound reasonable, but CPB's formula "automatically handicaps small community broadcasters serving poor communities." Of the 150 members of NFCB, only 58 receive community service grants from CPB. At least a dozen may lose their funding because they can't meet CPB's new financial thresholds.

Kane says the defunding will affect not only these local stations and their communities, but also the system as a whole. "We can't have a healthy public media system without the presence of grassroots community media organizations," she says. "They are the ones who put 'public' in public media."

In addition to their role as conduits for the First Amendment, community broadcasters also provide free training. The once-groundbreaking programs now gracing the public airwaves were created by people who cut their chops in community or college radio, where creativity and experimentation are encouraged. Garrison Keillor is a case in point.

But here's what really rankles: Even if federal dollars dry up for the big public radio stations such as KQED in San Francisco, or any of the giants in public radio, they will survive. But when CPB money gets cut from rural stations such as KZMU and KPOV, these small broadcasters will immediately face challenges that threaten their very survival. These little stations are just as important in their communities as the big stations are in theirs ó perhaps more so, since the smaller communities lack the cultural and educational resources of urban areas.

CPB's website proudly proclaims that it has "long recognized the special challenges that small public television and radio stations face." That is a lovely and idealistic statement. But apparently the decision-makers at CPB no longer believe it.

Marty Durlin is a contributor to Writers on the Range, a column service of High Country News. She recently became station manager of KZMU in Moab, Utah (High Country News via <https://www.facebook.com/shortwaveradio> via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

** U S A. Always great to see a classical music guy with a shortwave background!!! See Jack Allen:
<http://www.allclassical.org/about/station-staff/>
Recently found them via Corvallis (95.7).

Interestingly(?) there is a low power international-type FM station in Springfield, OR, also on 95.7; it is part of a network called United Message, <http://www.unitedmessage.org> I tried to find out more about this via the FCC FM database and learnt FCC are doing an IT upgrade this week: <https://www.fcc.gov/blog/modernizing-fcc-s-it> (David Walcutt, OR, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Allen is the President & CEO --- page on down for Edmund Stone, who produces the wonderful filmusic show 'The Score'.

The WTFDA FM Database shows 95.7 is really only a 16-watt translator of KQOC, K239BP in Flynn. And the other OR 95.7s do not fit your description, only in Medford, Prineville, plus a translator in Coos Bay; Part 15 or a pirate pickup of webstation? (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Glenn, I got the following reply from the low-power United Message station on 95.7 - - they are in Springfield. I do want to check the FCC FM database page when it becomes available again. The webcast did not seem to be operating when I checked it, their WordPress site gave a *imissing plugin* error (David Walcutt, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Subject: Are you based in Portland??

Message Body: I am in Eugene. Stumbled across your low power FM station while I was in Springfield this afternoon. Great Caribbean/West African programs!

-- This e-mail was sent from a contact form on Unitedmessage (<http://www.unitedmessage.org>) Hi there thanks for the contact. We are in Springfield (Morie Conteh, Sept 3 via Walcutt, DXLD)

Flynn is an unincorporated community in Benton County, Oregon, United States.^[1] Flynn is located on U.S. Route 20 at its interchange with Oregon Route 34, just west of Philomath, near the Marys River (Wikipedia, via DXLD) (i.e. closer to Corvallis than to the twin cities of Eugene-Springfield) (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

PORLAND CLASSICAL STATION COMES TO TOWN --- By Jaime Fuller

With just a quick twist of the knob to 95.7 FM, classical music is now available in greater Corvallis 24/7, with no commercials. Here is how that happened: the established All Classical Portland station started airing from a repeater station in our fair burg as of October 1.

We've always wanted to be in Corvallis, but it's hard to obtain an FCC license, said Larry Holtz, vice president of technology for All Classical. They are mostly all taken. We are leasing a license from someone who bought one as a business venture. The Corvallis station reaches close to 100,000 people in the greater Corvallis area, including Albany and Junction City. Radios that show text will display detailed information on what is currently playing.

As the Portland station couldn't reach all the way down to Corvallis, a new translator was put on the tower in McDonald Forest. This big fancy antenna allows them to rebroadcast one of their other repeater stations in Otter Crest, just 55 miles across the Cascade Range. The local station runs on very low power ó 15.5 watts, to be exact ó as compared with 100,000 watts for most radio stations. Even without

using much energy, the sound is crystal clear. It works well by being on a hill and having a nice antenna, i explained Holtz.

All Classical Portland hopes to bring classical music to as many people as possible throughout Oregon and the world. With the convenience of online streaming, listeners as far away as Germany tune in to the station. The mission of All Classical is to advance knowledge and appreciation for classical music; to build and sustain culturally vibrant local and global communities around this art form; to reflect the spirit of the Pacific Northwest; and to foster integrity, quality, and innovation in all that we do. i

A notably tasteful selection of classical music is the result of many experienced program directors. Curating is led by Vice President of Programming John Burke. They also have a strong music director, John Pitman, who was the first employee of the station in 1983, the same year All Classical Portland began.

The classical music station makes it a point to have broad, deep, and evolving playlists. It's easy to take a CD off the shelf, i pointed out Jack Allen, All Classical president and CEO. It takes a little more love and care and curating to get regional artists. We turn our gaze outward into the community and bring in as many Oregon artists as we can. i They seek performances from all over the region, giving their music selection a distinctive, local sound.

We want it to feel like Portland and the Northwest, i added Allen. Not in the sense of keeping it weird, i but speaking to the tastes of Portland. We jokingly say that it's classical music with a splash of pinot noir from the Willamette Valley. i

For more information about All Classical Portland, online access to programs in their archives, or to make a donation, visit <http://www.allclassical.org> (The Corvallis Advocate via Walcutt, DXLD)

** UZBEKISTAN. 6260, Voice of Asia via Tashkent. Received a reply in less than 30 minutes after posting a follow-up to mail @ thevoiceasia.com The V/S Wayne says that my recordings are of their station (sent a e-mail report with MP3 recordings) and confirmed my reception; as well, they have left shortwave as of May the 8 and have no plans on returning due to increased FM coverage in Asia and staff limitations. Total time 6-1/2 months, 30 minutes after posting a follow-up e-mail report (Edward Kusalik - Daysland, Alberta, Canada, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VATICAN [non]. 7425, Aug 27 at 0220, VR in Spanish, ~S5, barely //able to 7305, i.e. the Greenville leapfrog mixing product of 7305 over 7365 R. Marti. Don't expect to see 7425 appear on the VR sked

(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also USA: 7325

Upcoming frequency change of Vatican Radio, but date unknown
1230-1300 NF 11875 TAC 100 kW / 056 deg to FERu Russian, ex 11845, re-ex 11850

// frequency 15370 PHT 250 kW / 332 deg to FERu Russian
<http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/08/upcoming-frequency-changes-of-radio-tv.html>

(DX RE MIX NEWS #925 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, August 31, 2015, via DXLD)

** VIETNAM. 6020, Voice of Vietnam-4, 1410, Sept 2. Heard the N. Korea jamming here for Shiokaze, which was absent (now on 5985); underneath jamming with indigenous music (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM [non]. 12005, Aug 29 at 0113, VOV English relay to N America via UK remains nothing but a JBA carrier; summer is over, hastened by geomag storm not recovered from yet, and more to come in early September.

12005, Aug 31 at 0111, VOV English to North America is back to VG level, S9 and plenty modulation; seems slightly low about 12004.98. Past few nights was virtually inaudible, presumably due to propagation disturbance. Only registered as Woofferton site, but it would make sense to switch to Ascension under such circumstances if they are going to stay on 12 MHz till Octend (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) However, ASC not designed for coverage of N America despite plenty of signals reaching here intended for parts of Africa (gh)

** ZAMBIA. 5915, Aug 27 at 0241, weak OC with 1 kHz tone, heavy ACI from 5920 WHRI, no IS heard past 0245, altho Ron Howard replied from California:

``Hi Glenn, Aug 23, on 5915, at 0240 open carrier already on (usually can be heard as early as 0230); 0244 start of the distinctive African fish eagle IS (always enjoy hearing it, as it's so different).

To hear a very clear audio, go to

<http://www.intervalsignals.net/index.htm>

David Kernick's wonderful website for interval signals. BTW - The African fish eagle is the national bird of Zambia`` As I quote him on WORLD OF RADIO 1788 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

August 29, on 5915, at 0246, with African fish eagle IS screaming through the QRN (static). My audio attached. Another case of without the static, I would have had decent reception. This IS certainly makes for an easy ID (Ron Howard, California, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5915, R. One/ZNBC, 0406, Sept 2. In African vernacular; African Hi-life music/singing; by 0424 had gone off the air, only to return sometime later.

RE: WOR 1788 - Thanks to Glenn for the reminder about their being in English at 0500; found with news in English 0500-0514, followed by ads and/or PSA; 0515 African singing and clearly back to African vernacular; heard bits and pieces of the English (Ron Howard, Asilomar State Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZANZIBAR. TANZANIA: 11735, Radio Tanzania-Zanzibar (tentative); 2029-2045:49*, 2-Sep; Arabic vocal music; M in unknown language -- not Arabic with commentary 2030-2033+ & 2042-2045+ both with several mentions of Dar es Salaam; don't recall ever hearing so [many?] mentions of DeS. Abruptly off after start of music. SIQ=343 with buzz burst QRM (Harold Fodge, Midland MI, USA, Drake R8B + 125 ft. bow-tie; 60 ft. RW & 180 ft. center-fed RW, All logged by my ears, on my receiver, in real time! DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1160.08, *0955 August 31, 2015. My infrequent checks for this mystery, presumably a Central America or coastal South America station still has it coming up at 0955 GMT, no audio ever coming through. Also noted 0003 August 26 (weak) and 0958 August 29, KSL otherwise dominating prior to sunrise. Loops SSW/NNE (Terry L Krueger, Clearwater, FL, NRD-535, IC-R75, roof dipole, active loop, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1560, Aug 29 at 0607 UT, very good signal dominating, unlike normal nightmiddle situation here, with sports talk by YL hostess, soon IDed as Yahoo Sports Radio, discussing TCU which on a national net doesn't mean this is Texas, yet smax of KGOW Bellaire (Houston) TX, EXCEPT this loops roughly NE/SW, all wrong for KGOW, and which on night pattern throws out into the Gulf 15 kW, while day pattern goes NE with 46 kW (and is a bigsig even here to the NNW around SR/SS. If this is it despite the DF, has to be on day pattern).

This site

<http://sports.yahoo.com/radio/affiliates/>

does NOT have any listing of affiliates, just a bunch of sports news stories linked! Furthermore, searching yahoosports on KGOW gets no hits!

Strength, power, DF and network are all wrong for our puny OKC sports outlet, KEBC Del City, 1/0.25 kW like an old graveyarder. WMBH Joplin MO closer to east is another sportster, but is ESPN, even punier at 35 watts night. So WHAT IS THIS?? Some otherstation with a format flip? KLNG Council Bluffs IA is a 10 kW daytimer, sometimes nighttimer, but Christian the last we knew and in the new NRC AM Log. Another

possibility: WPAD Paducah KY, 10/5 kW, which is now branded for its puny FM translator ``The Fan 99.5'', with a ``lineup'' showing some NBC Sports Radio, mostly Fox Sports Radio, including 1-5 am CDT (even weekends?), no YSR.

1560, Aug 30 at 0553 UT, no dominant YSR or any sports station looping NE/SW like 24 hours ago (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 2600.0, Aug 30 at 0056 UT, JBA signal on AM as I am tuning for the Canadian marine weather on 2598 (not heard), but this is something new; trace of music? Most likely a 2 x 1300 harmonic, so could it be WNQM Nashville? Just because they mix with WWCR onto 6220 doesn't mean they also put out direct harmonics. Also crossed by slow ionosonde. Gone at recheck 0110 UT. So the unID's official sunset could have been 0100 UT, off or to lower power. WNQM should do that at 0045 UT correctly in August, but we suspect they were not strictly compliant. The 0100 UT strip would be somewhat west of Nashville, such as IL, MS ñ plenty of possibilities. To be chased further. BTW, no carrier on 2660 at this time from presumed KGLD 1330 Tyler TX (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 2660-AM, Aug 31 at 0522, JBA music, probably 2 x 1330, KGLD Tyler TX; slightly on the hi side compared to 1660 KWOD. BTW, I previously referred to KGLD being on 1300 instead of correct 1330; i.e., nothing to do with another, unID harmonic on 2600 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6163.5-USB, Sept 3 at 1235, 2-ways in colloquial Spanish intruders, referring to ``puta madre'', ``amanecer'', het from weak AM broadcaster on 6165, which per Aoki could be any of: India, China, Myanmar, Vietnam! Not to mention Chad and Zambia (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 6940-CW, Aug 30 at 0101 as I am scanning for voice pirates, someone is roughly hand-keying a long string of Vs, and then a message I don't copy, but never heard a DE. Pirate? There is also a RTTY signal much of the time in the 6940s intruding among pirates (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7050, 16/8, 1815, two pirates on ham band fighting: one Russian and one Ukrainian: songs, talks, LSB, fair/good (GIAMPIERO BERNARDINI, MILANO, Italia, DXing a Ferragosto a Milano. RX Elad FDM-S2 - ANT T2FD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7200-LSB, Aug 30 at 0120, someham is playing music, fragment of ``My Way`` by Sinatra; other hams in net including K5FAB continue talking with seeming little note of it; about WDBJ.

7000-LSB, Aug 30 at 0138, as I start another scan downward of the pirate band, brief bit of music here too amid the CW; same guy? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 7292.0-USB, Sept 2 at 0134, some ham discussing transmitting from balloons, but with QRM from AM carriers and LSB hams. It seems these LSB-rejectionists on 40m appear only in the 7260-7295 or so range (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 14730, 15/8 1824, Unid, Asian language, presumed harmonic 2 x 7365 kHz, reports Taleban, Kabul, VOA Thailand? (GIAMPIERO BERNARDINI, MILANO, Italia, DXing a Ferragosto a Milano. RX Elad FDM-S2 - ANT T2FD, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The time of this logging is problematic. On 7365: CNR1 (not a jammer) is scheduled until 1805; VOA has a gap between 15 and 19: until 15 jammed in Cantonese via Philippines; from 19 in Korean via Thailand. And what about HCJB Deutsch, 24 hours on 7365 mostly in German via 1 kW in Germany? 14730 is not in Aoki as a fundamental jammed frequency (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS

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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1789:

Note from Jorge I Roman Nieves: I have enjoyed your program for about two years. I remember when you brought up in your program the anniversary special of Radio Canada International. That was quite historic. 73s, (Jorge Roman (WP3AY), with a contribution via PayPal, not necessarily in US funds, to woradio at yahoo.com)

I've been a reader and listener of World of Radio for about 30ish years. I've been at NPR for 35 years. I very much appreciate ALL the work you have done over the many, many years. I continue to be a loyal listener and reader (Vince Destajo, DC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, WoR started at approximately 0322z on 8/23z on WAORCR. Sorry I didn't look closely, but it was before 0325; of that I'm sure.

I have not donated to your work in several years, and DXLD and WoR always keep my interest in the hobby alive amidst the decline in international broadcasting, electro-smog, and declining solar flux. In spite of these things, there is always something interesting to pursue, and your site always reminds me of that.

I am also not a country-counter, and don't collect QSL cards. The intrinsic joy of listening has always been enough. I'm still thrilled over my reception of Algeria on 252 almost ten months later, so the spark is still there. My interest in MW listening has also come back quite a bit lately; in this the declining flux will be a benefit. All of the Best, (Steve Zimmerman, Aug 31, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hello Glenn, 2015-08-31, Best wishes and thanks for your priceless information every week, Glenn! Best regards (Tobias [squared], Germany, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

RUMEN PAKOV

Dear Rumen, congrats to your recent 69th anni of birth! last Friday. Keep all these fine loggings flow-in to the newsgroup bulletins worldwide also in future. vy73 de (wolfy, wwdx, dxldyg, Aug 31, via DXLD)

THOMAS NILSSON

I read in DX-Aktuellt 3-2015 that Thomas Nilsson at the recent Swedish DX-Parliament received "Stipendiet till Johan Berglunds minne" for his longtime editing of the excellent "Shortwave Bulletin". My sincere congratulations, Thomas! (Anker Petersen, Denmark, SW Bulletin Aug 30 via DXLD) (Anker, thanks for the kind words. /Thomas, ibid.)

PUBLICATIONS

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FCC DATABASES DOWN FOR IT UPGRADE

The FCC has announced that several of its databases will be unavailable over the Labour Day weekend due to an IT upgrade:
<https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-databases-unavailable-filing-deadline-extensions-early-september>

The specific dates and times are:

Wed 02 Sep 2015 at 1800 PM EDT until Tue 08 Sep 2015 at 0800 AM EDT.

The affected databases are listed in the article linked above.

Source: <http://www.thebdr.net/articles/haps.html>

73 & Good DX, (Steve Ponder, N5WBI, Houston, TX, Sent from my iPhone 6 Plus, Aug 27, NRC-AM via DXLD)

SWBC AUDIO ARCHIVE

<https://soundcloud.com/andy-robins-436370472>

The following vintage SWBC recordings have been added to my SoundCloud

page, for those in need of a little nostalgia:

Radio Enoch 7345 kHz - the notorious anti-immigrant pirate/clandestine in the UK, recorded in London, England, by Bill Whitacre and yours truly in March 1979.

Radio Venceremos 6650 kHz - One of the clandestines active in the 1980's seeking the ouster of the government of El Salvador. Recorded in 1988.

Radio Farabundo Martí 6703 kHz - The other FMLN Salvadoran clandestine. From 1988.

Radio LiberaciÛn SRRN 5929 kHz - The anti-Sandinista Nicaraguan clandestine. Recorded in 1988.

Radio Caimán 9960 kHz - The loud anti-Castro Cuban clandestine, also from 1988.

La Voz de Alpha 66 6668 kHz - Reportedly beaming to Cuba from a fairly low-power transmitter near Miami, Florida. Also one of the longer-lived Cuban clandestines. From 1988.

La Voz del CID 9940 kHz - The very slick anti-Castro clandestine. You guessed it: heard in 1988.

"NOEL" 6950 kHz - The goofy Christmas-time North American pirate heard in December 2013.

Radio Confusion 13992 kHz - One of the active North American pirates for the late 1970s/early 80s. A 1980 reception.

Radio Borderhunter 21455 kHz - A test transmission by the Dutch euro-pirate for North America in December 2013. The starting power was reportedly 350 watts but the operator kept dropping it in steps during the broadcast; the signal was detectable in Michigan down to one watt!

Radio Amy - A mediumwave pirate/"community access" station in the London, England, area heard by Bill Whitacre and me on 25 March 1979 during a trip there. This clip includes a hilarious screed by the announcer trashing DXers as people suffering from a "mental disease."

Radio City - A mediumwave pirate in London, England, recorded there in 1979.

North London Radio - Another mediumwave pirate catch from the 1979 London expedition.

Jolly Roger Radio 6210 kHz - The famous and quirky U.S. pirate later revealed to have been broadcasting from Bloomington, Indiana, on FM and SW before the inevitable FCC bust. On the night in 1980 this was recorded, JRR was on the air for over three straight hours, making the Feds' job catching the operators somewhat easier.

"KVHF" 6420 kHz - One of the very few West Coast U.S. pirates of the early 1980s.

Radio Clandestine 11835 kHz - The legendary "R.F. Burns" doing his thing in the middle of the 25 meter band from 1980.

XEOI Radio Mil 6010 kHz - Several IDs from the elusive Mexico City station as received in January 2014. It was so elusive, in fact, that it took me nearly four decades of intermittent effort to log it!

There are a few others and I'll keep adding more as time allows. If anyone else is putting their old SWBC recordings online, please share!

73, (Andy Robins (ex-KB8QGF), Kalamazoo, Michigan USA, Sept 2, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES

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W9DXCC DX CONVENTION AND BANQUET SEPT. 11-12 IN SCHAUMBURG, ILLINOIS
W9DXCC NEWS RELEASE (FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE) [Aug. 26, 2015] ñ

Final arrangements are being made for the 63rd annual W9DXCC DX Convention and Banquet. The Sept. 11-12 gathering in Schaumburg, Illinois, will feature more than \$11,000 in prizes (a number still growing daily) donated by vendors at the convention and other manufacturers and distributors. Based on past attendance, this year's attendees will have a roughly 1 in 3 chance of winning a prize. Sponsored by the Northern Illinois DX Association, the event is an ARRL-approved operating specialty convention.

For the first time, a Contest University program will join the DX University on Friday. Both tracks will have presentations for new and veteran DXers and contest operators. The daylong session on Saturday will feature speakers, exhibits, QSL card checking, a CW pileup contest and many prizes. The banquet that evening is a time to relax with keynote speaker Riley Hollingsworth, K4ZDH, former FCC Special Counsel for Spectrum Enforcement, as well as the DX Countdown and grand prizes.

Some of this year's major prizes: Yaesu FTDX3000, Icom IC7100, Elecraft KX3 with microphone, Flex Maestro plus gift certificates for

discounts on Flex radios, Bird wattmeter, Array Solutions PowerMaster II wattmeter, RadioSport premium headsets. Belden 9913 Coax, Begali, Bencher and N3ZN paddles, subscriptions to ham magazines and DX publications, logging soft-ware, and discount certificates at many major dealers.

The convention is scheduled one week earlier than normal because of hotel availability. Woodfield Mall, which offers a wide array of shopping, is one traffic light south of the convention site at the Hyatt Regency Schaumburg, 1800 East Golf Road.

DX University and Contest University - Friday

- * Contesting Basics: What is radio sport? Why do it? Why should you do it? The language of contesting. Ethics.
- * Types and conduct of contests: A discussion of the various types of contests, examples, contest exchanges and contest scoring.
- * Hardware and software for the new contesteer: ergonomics, antennas, logging and on-line resources.
- * RTTY contesting: How to setup for RTTY, sample exchanges, how to operate and demos.
- * Low Band DXing
- * DX Seminar discussion
- * Antennas and transmission lines
- * Portable DXing
- * Daily DXing: The road to multi-band DXCC and tools to improve efficiency

(These sessions will be led by some of the best DX'ers and contest operators in the Midwest, including K9CT, K9DX, K9IR, K9EL, N9EP, W9MU, W09S, K3WA and K9Z0.)

Main Convention - Saturday (as of now, with more being added)

- * K1N Navassa Island DXpedition (W0GJ)
- * Operating from Kuwait (W6RGG)
- * Palau DXpedition (K9AJ)
- * YK9A February 2001 - What's Happened Since (AE9YL)
- * Cycle 24 Update (K9LA)
- * ARRL Roundtable Discussion

Registration: Go to <<http://w9dxcc.com/>> and click Registration.

Registration is open via PayPal or download the form and send a check. Banquet orders must be received by Sept. 4. Click Location & Lodging for hotel reservations.

Updates: <<http://w9dxcc.com/>> for new developments.

For more information: John McCormick, N0FCD@yahoo.com

(Ohio/Penn DX Bulletin No. 1229, August 31, 2015, Editor Tedd

Mirigliotta, KB8NW, Provided by BARF80.ORG (Cleveland, Ohio), Written /

Sent From Strongsville, OH, via Dave Raycroft, ODXA yg via DXLD)

EUROPEAN DX COUNCIL, ST PETERSBURG, SEPTEMBER 18-22

European DX Council (EDXC) and St. Petersburg DX Club are kindly inviting DX-ers to take part in the 48th EDXC Conference 2015 to be held in St. Petersburg, Russia on 18-22 September 2015. Read more here:

http://dxsignal.ru/read/EDXC_2015e.htm

73, (Dmitry Mezin, <http://dxsignal.ru> Signal yg via DXLD) Viz.:

Sankt-Petersburg. European DX Council (EDXC) and St. Petersburg DX Club European are kindly inviting European DX-ers to take part in the 48th EDXC Conference 2015 to be held in St. Petersburg, Russia on 18-22 September 2015. Guests from countries outside Europe are also heartily welcomed.

Conference venue: RUSS Hotel, Artilleriyskaya ul, 1, St. Petersburg
<http://www.hotelruss.spb.ru> or
<http://www.hotelruss.spb.ru/index.php?lang=eng>

The preliminary conference agenda (updates and changes are possible):

Friday 18 September 16.00 - 22.00 LT

Arrival, registration, informal contacts at the conference venue hotel

Saturday 19 September 10.00 - 14.00 LT

Conference opening. Greetings from the St. Petersburg DX Club and Conference Organizing Committee by Mr. Alexander Beryozkin.

Greetings from EDXC by Mr. Kari Kivekaes.

Lectures and reports

1. "Pages of history of foreign broadcasting in Russian"
by Mr. Andrey Fyodorov.
2. "DXing in Costa del Sol: July 2015" by Mr. Alexander Beryozkin.
3. "EDXC matters" by Mr. Kari Kivekaes.
4. "News and prospects of Christian broadcasting on the example of Protestant radio stations of St. Petersburg" by Mr. Mikhail Nevolin.

Saturday 19 September 15.00 - 18.00 LT

Short sightseeing city tour by bus. Excursion to the National Show Museum "Grand Maket Rossiya" ("Grand Model Russia")

Sunday 20 September 10.00 - 14.00 LT

Lectures and reports

5. "Modern SDR techniques in amateur radio and DXing"
by Mr. Alexander Gromov.
6. "Receiving antenna: electric or magnetic?" by Dr. Anatoly Bobkov.

7. "RTRN St.Petersburg Regional Centre: broadcasting development plans" by Mr. Mikhail Timofeyev.
8. "EDXC 2016 Conference, proposed city: Manchester" by Ms. Chrissy Brand.

Sunday 20 September 15.00 - 18.30 LT

Visiting the studio of St.Petersburg FM station "Dorozhnoye Radio" ("Road Radio"). Excursion to Prof. A.S. Popov's Laboratory and Apartment Museums in the St. Petersburg Electrotechnical University, including report:

9. "Historical significance of Prof. A.S. Popov's scientific works in the field of radio" by Ms. Larisa Zolotinkina.

Sunday 20 September 19.00 - 22.00 LT

Banquet dinner at the hotel restaurant

Monday 21 September 10.00 - 13.00 LT

Exit session of the conference, part 1.

Venue: St. Petersburg DX Club

Headquarters in Bolshiye Porogi including report:

10. "Collecting Soviet and Russian vintage broadcasting receivers" by Mr. Omar Cheishvili.

Monday 21 September 14.00 - 18.00 LT

Exit session of the conference, part 2.

Venue: St. Petersburg Bonch-Bruyevich State University of

Telecommunications

Lectures and reports

Excursion to the University Media Centre

Special broadcast of Radio Bonch students' radio station devoted to the conference.

Conference closing.

Tuesday 22 September 10.00 - 14.00 LT

Departure, informal contacts

The prices are as follows:

Full package/single room: 270 EUR per person

Full package/double room: 220 EUR per person

Minimum package (4 nights accommodation & conference fee)/single room:
190 EUR per person

Minimum package (4 nights accommodation & conference fee)/single room:
140 EUR per person

A participant may choose events to attend. So final price may vary within the above limits. More information at
<<https://edxcnews.wordpress.com>>

For reservations and any other info, please contact Alexander Beryozkin by e-mail <dxspb -at- nrec.spb.ru> or by phone +7(921)793-72-84 (Alexander Beryozkin, Sankt-Petersburg-RUS; RUSdx Aug 23 via BC-DX via DXLD)

VI COLOMBIAN-VENEZUELAN DX-MEETING, JAN 8-10, 2016

Greetings from Colombia, many months without contact with you and DSWCI, but really nothing interesting to report from here in the tropical bands; and some DX info I produced, now I am sharing with Facebook groups.

The reason for this letter is to let you know about the realization of new DX meeting between DXers from Colombia and Venezuela, the next January (08-10) for the 6th time we will meet in Sanare, Estado Lara, near to Barquisimeto City. Place for great Venezuelan stations in tropical bands, well in DX glory Days. The organizer of the DX meeting is my good dx friend: Williams López, VI EDXCV, Apartado Postal No. 763, Barquisimeto 3001ñA, Estado Lara, Venezuela.

Here despite the obvious decline in shortwave broadcasts, there is much interest in the DX; and the union between DXer from traditional side to the new side maintained in a Facebook group called "Cadena DX". Through this group we have made contact with new Radiolisteners and "reactived" old Dxers (Rafael Rodríguez, Colombia, DSWCI DX Window Sept 2 via DXLD)

NATIONAL RADIO PRESERVATION CONFERENCE, WASHINGTON DC, Feb 2016

Announcing the Radio Preservation Task Force Conference: SAVING AMERICA'S RADIO HERITAGE: RADIO PRESERVATION, ACCESS, AND EDUCATION

The Radio Preservation Task Force, a unit of the Library of Congress's National Recording Preservation Board, will hold its first national conference in Washington, D. C. in February 2016.

<http://radiopreservation.org/>
(via Benn Kobb, Sept 2, DXLD)

WORLD OF HOROLOGY
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CELEBR" UN NUEVO ANIVERSARIO EL OBSERVATORIO NAVAL BUENOS AIRES
by gruporadioescuchaargentino

El domingo 16 de agosto pasado se cumplió el 134 aniversario del Observatorio Naval Buenos Aires (ONBA), organismo dependiente del Servicio de Hidrografía Naval (SHN) del Ministerio de Defensa. La fecha recuerda el día de la firma del Decreto N° 13.013, ordenando la creación del Observatorio de Marina.

Su misión principal es determinar, conservar y generar las señales de la Hora Oficial Argentina. El servicio público de la Hora Oficial se cumple mediante las emisiones de hora y frecuencias patrón por radiofónica, los tops horarios emitidos por radiotelefonía y la hora telefónica que llega a los usuarios por el Servicio Especial 113, difundido a través de las empresas telefónicas.

Atrás quedaron los tiempos en que la hora de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires se sindicaba formalmente a través del reloj de la Torre Británica, y al interior del país, a través de las oficinas de correos y de las estaciones del ferrocarril, para dar lugar a una sucesión de reemplazos de equipos al ritmo de las nuevas tecnologías, hasta los actuales relojes atómicos.

En la actualidad, la conservación de la hora está asegurada con relojes de cesio, cuya principal característica es la regularidad de su marcha, ya que el máximo error que puede acumular es de un segundo en 30.000 años. Asimismo, la difusión de la Hora Oficial Argentina se realiza con una precisión de un milésimo de segundo.

El Observatorio Naval Buenos Aires es uno de los aproximadamente 400 laboratorios de tiempo instalados en el mundo, que integran la red del Bureau Internacional de Pesas y Medidas (BIPM). En base a sus comparaciones de hora controladas por GPS, el BIPM se encarga de mantener el Tiempo Universal Coordinado (UTC), que es la base legal de la hora oficial de todos los países que integran la red.

Desde 1934 se publican anualmente el Almanaque Náutico y Aeronáutico y su suplemento, los que proveen los datos astronómicos necesarios para resolver el problema del posicionamiento en navegación, aeronavegación y geodesia.

Si bien existen métodos e instrumentos de posicionamiento más precisos para la navegación marítima y aérea, que superan en rapidez y exactitud a los tradicionales métodos de posicionamiento a través de la observación de cuerpos celestes, el Almanaque Náutico y Aeronáutico es una herramienta indispensable para los navegantes, siendo el único elemento alternativo al que pueden recurrir en caso de no disponer de otros medios más modernos.

El Almanaque Náutico y Aeronáutico (Publicación H -225) contiene las efemérides del Sol, de la Luna, de los planetas principales y del

Primer Punto de Aries, eventos astronómicos del año y tablas de correcciones y transformaciones diversas.

El suplemento al Almanaque Náutico y Aeronáutico (SANA) contiene las posiciones aparentes de los instantes de culminación superior cada 10 días más de 340 estrellas fundamentales brillantes y constantes necesarias para el cálculo astronómico y geodésico. El cálculo de las posiciones estelares se realiza con software elaborado e implementado en el ONBA, siguiendo el método y las convenciones adoptadas por la Unión Astronómica Internacional.

Están disponibles en Internet, a través del sitio oficial del Servicio de Hidrografía Naval (www.hidro.gov.ar), los programas interactivos para cálculos astronómicos desarrollados en el ONBA, los cuales permiten obtener efemérides de Sol, Luna y planetas principales, para cualquier instante del año.

Otra importante actividad que realiza el ONBA en el área de la astronomía es el asesoramiento técnico a juzgados y organismos públicos y privados, sobre temas vinculados a condiciones de luminosidad diurna y horario de ocurrencia de fenómenos astronómicos.

El presidente de la Nación, Julio A Roca, firmó el 16 de agosto de 1881 el Decreto N° 13.013, ordenando la creación del Observatorio de Marina. Su primer director fue el ex-oficial de la Armada de Francia y científico Francisco Beuf.

El objetivo primario del Observatorio de Marina fue proveer con adecuada precisión, la hora a los buques surtos en la dársena del Puerto de Buenos Aires. La tarea constituía para la época no sólo un considerable desafío, sino una necesidad esencial para la navegación.

El empeño e intensa actividad del Coronel de Marina Beuf y su equipo de colaboradores, permitieron sumar a la República Argentina a un proyecto astronómico mundial destinado a observar el pasaje del planeta Venus por delante del Sol. La tarea, que se concretó el 6 de diciembre de 1882, se constituyó en un temprano bautismo científico para el Observatorio Naval, y en un estimulante aporte argentino al esfuerzo científico internacional.

En 1923, el Observatorio Naval asumió la responsabilidad de determinar, conservar y difundir la Hora Oficial Argentina y a partir de esa fecha su actividad ha sido ininterrumpida.

El ONBA presta desde 1927, el Servicio Telefónico de la Hora Oficial, destinado en principio a la comunidad de la ciudad de Buenos Aires y sus alrededores, extendido años más tarde al resto del país.

Desde 1944 se implementó el Servicio de la Hora Oficial por Radiodifusión, con señales audibles indicativas de la hora entera y media hora, emitidas con obligatoriedad por todas las emisoras de radio de Amplitud Modulada de la ciudad de Buenos Aires, permitiendo ampliar el alcance y la difusión masiva de la Hora Oficial generada desde el ONBA.

A partir de 1956, el ONBA brinda el Servicio Hora y de Frecuencias Patrones por medio de radiodifusión. Para recibir este servicio los usuarios deben contar solamente con un receptor de radio que sea capaz de sintonizar la frecuencia de emisión.

A partir de 1967, con la incorporación del primer reloj atómico, el ONBA inició su contribución al Bureau Internacional de Pesas y Medidas (BIPM).

La primera sede del ONBA se erigió en el barrio de La Recoleta, sobre la calle Bella Vista (hoy Avenida Marcelo T. de Alvear), entre Callao y Ayacucho. Desde allí se determinaba el tiempo astronómico para la ciudad de Buenos Aires con el objeto de proporcionarlo a los buques anclados en la rada del puerto. En aquella época, se indicaba la hora al mediodía exacto dejando caer un globo negro desde lo alto de un mastil que era visible desde los barcos.

Desde su fundación, el ONBA cambió de emplazamiento en varias oportunidades. En 1889, fue trasladado al barrio de Palermo, a un predio que hoy ocupa el Jardín Botánico. Desde 1947 ocupa el edificio que fue especialmente construido para albergar sus dependencias, ubicado en Avenida España N° 2099 de la Ciudad Autónoma de Buenos Aires. Dicho edificio fue declarado Monumento Histórico Nacional en 2001 (Palermo On Line via GRA blog via DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See NEW ZEALAND; UK

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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB See NETHERLANDS

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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See MEXICO; SOUTH AFRICA

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OTH RADAR IN VIRGINIA

Dick Bingham, W7WKR of Stehekin, Washington sent an interesting link concerning over-the-horizon HF radar operating in Virginia:

<https://cryptome.org/2015-info/navy-rothr/navy-rothr.htm>
(via QST de W1AW, Propagation Forecast Bulletin 35 ARLP035, From Tad Cook, K7RA, Seattle, WA August 28, 2015, To all radio amateurs, via DXLD) WTFK???

WHO KNOWS WHERE ALMOST EVERY FLIGHT IS RIGHT NOW? --- Sweden's Flightradar24 has thousands of receivers world-wide tracking planes
Scott McCartney The Wall Street Journal Aug. 26, 2015 1:28 p.m. ET

It's 11 o'clock. Does your airline know where your flight is? Maybe not, but a couple of aviation geeks who crowdsourced a global tracking network do.

The disappearance of Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 in March 2014 left the traveling public dismayed that airlines don't constantly track airplanes. In that vacuum, Flightradar24, based here, has become the go-to source of information on tracking planes. The operation relies on volunteers world-wide with 7,500 receivers installed on roofs, towers, islands and ships.

Flightradar24's website is used by airlines, airports, Boeing and Airbus operations centers and news agencies. Airport workers use it to check on arriving flights. Car services use it to keep tabs on arriving customers. Want to follow your spouse's arrival time on a flight from Dubai, or figure out what just flew over your house? Flightradar24 can track it in real-time. . . [much more]
<http://www.wsj.com/articles/the-men-who-know-where-every-flight-is-1440610114>
(via Mike Cooper, DXLD)

ëADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHTí BLAMED FOR FEMAíS LAPSE
Politics & Government August 27, 2015 --- By Greg Gordon

Auditors: Billions in radio grants skipped requirement they interact
Department of Homeland Security agencies agree to fix problem
McClatchy series about Motorolaís dominance triggered audit

With subway riders gasping from smoke after an electrical failure on Jan. 12, 2015, Washington firefighters grappled with two-way radio failures, resorting to cellphones and a chain of runners to communicate. One person died in the incident. Andrew Harnik AP
[caption]

WASHINGTON --- Blaming an iadministrative oversight,í federal auditors have found that the Federal Emergency Management Agency allowed public-safety agencies nationwide to buy billions of dollars in two-way radios without ensuring the equipment could interact with other brands meeting uniform standards.

The agency's grant guidance said that federal, state and local agencies should meet the voluntary standards worked out over more than a decade by government and industry officials but didn't require them to do so, internal auditors for the Department of Homeland Security found in a newly released report.

The failure helps explain why communications problems persist a decade after a federal commission investigating the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks called for major reforms to ensure that emergency responders arriving at disaster scenes can talk with each other. Only last January, the auditors noted, radio failures complicated rescue efforts in the nation's capital when an electrical malfunction filled subway cars with smoke, killing one passenger and sickening dozens more. . .

Read more here:

<http://www.mcclatchydc.com/news/politics-government/article32572584.html#storylink=cpy>
(via Des Preston, DXLD)

IBC SNEAK PEEK: AMPEGON LAUNCHES SOLID-STATE SW TRANSMITTER LINE

<http://www.radioworld.com/article/ibc-sneak-peek-ampegon-launches-solid-state-sw-transmitter-line/276964>

Ampegon is introducing at IBC2015 the new solid-state shortwave transmitter line, TSW-SSA with an output power ranging from 1.5 kW to 25 kW, and featuring integrated Digital Radio Mondiale solutions. Central to the design of the low-power, solid-state transmitter line, is a class-E push-pull amplifier concept, says Ampegon, which is based on the in-and-out phasing method.

Furthermore, the company explains, the modular combination of amplifiers allows customers to specify transmitters for any power class, while the Ampegon Unified Control System platform (UCS) oversees transmitter operation, thus providing a single, common interface and in-house platform development.

Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxldyg via DXLD)

HATHCOCK HISTORY: SHORT LIFE OF WORLD'S MOST POWERFUL RADIO STATION

http://www.valleymorningstar.com/coastal_current/news/something_extra/article_705c5b08-4cc4-11e5-9183-53a598408dfc.html

Pictured in the photo is the U.S. Naval radio tower and station built on a 22-acre plot of land located on southeastern part of Point Isabel in 1914 (near the modern day swing bridge to Long Island Village.)

In response to increased tensions in the Lower Rio Grande valley caused by the revolution in Mexico and incidents of bandit raids along the U.S. and Mexican border, Fort Brown was reactivated and served as

headquarters for the Brownsville Military District under Gen. James Parker.

Within a few short months, more than 50,000 National Guardsmen arrived from around the country. Their camps soon dotted the countryside from McAllen to Point Isabel. The experience gained here served the American soldiers well during the upcoming world war.

In its time, the radio station at the Point was the most powerful in the world, serving as a relay station transmitting messages from the north to the Panama Canal Zone and from the east coast to the west coast.

Its tour of duty was short, though. With the advance of radio technology, the equipment used in the relay stations became obsolete. In 1924, the electronics were moved to Fort Brown and the use of the reservation was abandoned.

The buildings were rented out until 1936 when the facility was put on a reserve basis. Eventually the land was sold to private individuals and the tower was demolished. Undoubtedly there are those alive today who still know the area as the iReservation.î Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, Aug 27, dxldyg via DXLD)

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F2 LAYER INFORMATION

Good evening, This may be of interest and of use to a number of the group. Following a tip from David Smith on Shortwave Listeners Global Facebook page about a Near Real Time F2 Layer Critical Frequency Map which is updated every 5 minutes.

<http://www.spacew.com/www/fof2.html>

Sent from my iPad 73's (John Hoad, Aug 30, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

CHILTON IONOSONDE

If anyone is interested in knowing the real-time critical frequency in the UK you can sign up for a free account for the Chilton Ionosonde at:

http://www.ukssdc.ac.uk/ionosondes/view_latest.html

This will also show sporadic E over the UK and give a good estimate as to the maximum usable frequency over a number of different path lengths. For example, at the moment the critical frequency is 6.075MHz and the predicted MUF over a 3,000km path is 20.1MHz. The Chilton ionosonde is at the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory just south of

Oxford.

I gave a talk on digisondes some time ago. You can download the presentation at:
<http://g0kya.blogspot.co.uk/2011/02/ionospheric-sounding-and-digisondes.html>

Without the accompanying talk it might not be totally self-explanatory, but you might glean something from it if you are unfamiliar with digisondes (Steve G0KYA, Aug 31, BDXC-UK yg via DXLD)

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# Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 24 - 30 August 2015
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Solar activity ranged from low to high levels. Low levels were observed on 25-26 and 29 Aug, moderate (R1-minor) levels on 27-28 and 30 Aug while high (R2-moderate) levels occurred on 24 Aug. The vast majority of activity was observed from Region 2403 (S15, L=193, class/area Fkc/1190 on 25 Aug). In total, this region produced a total of 58 C-class and six M-class flares. Region 2405 (S19, L=089, class/area Cro/020 on 29 Aug) produced a total of four weak C-class flares.

The period began at high levels as Region 2403 produced an impulsive M5/1b flare at 24/0733 UTC. Later on the 24th, the region produced an M1 flare at 24/1746 UTC. On 27-28 Aug, Region 2403 produced a total of three M-class flares; an M2/1n at 27/0544 UTC, an M2/1f at 28/1316 UTC and an M2/1n at 28/1903 UTC. The period ended when Region 2403 produced a long duration M1 flare at 30/0330 UTC. During the period, no Earth-directed coronal mass ejections (CMEs) were detected.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at high levels on 24-25 and 29 Aug and moderate levels on 26-28 and 30 Aug. The peak flux observed during the summary period was 1,840 pfu at 25/1700 UTC.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to major storm levels. Quiet to unsettled levels were observed on 24-25 Aug due to waning

effects from a positive polarity coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS). Solar wind parameters reflected a nominal wind environment with speeds decreasing from about 500 km/s to near 350 km/s by late on 25 Aug. Early on 26 Aug, geomagnetic field conditions increased to unsettled to minor storm (G1-minor) levels due to transient effects from the 22 Aug CME. Geomagnetic activity further increased on 27 Aug to active to major storm (G2-moderate) levels and persisted at these levels through 28 Aug. During this time frame, wind speeds were unimpressive averaging about 350 km/s but the total interplanetary magnetic field (Bt) peaked at 14 nT coupled with steady southward Bz to -12 nT.

Activity levels remained elevated on 29 Aug at quiet to minor storm levels due to effects from a co-rotating interaction region in advance of an equatorial, negative polarity CH HSS. Wind speeds approached 510 km/s with peak Bt values of 17 nT and peak southward Bz briefly reached -15 nT. 30 Aug saw quiet geomagnetic field conditions with solar wind parameters indicating a return to more nominal levels.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 31 AUGUST-26 SEPTEMBER 2015

Solar activity is expected to be at very low to low levels from 31 Aug - 10 Sep and again from 25-26 Sep. From 11-24 Sep, activity levels are expected to increase to low to moderate (R1-minor) due to the return of old Region 2403 (S15, L=193).

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit barring any significant flare activity from returning region 2403 during 11-24 Sep.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels on 31 Aug - 02 Sep, 07-12 Sep, 19 Sep and 22-25 Sep. High flux levels are expected on 03-06 Sep, 13-18 Sep, 20-21 Sep and 26 Sep.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at minor storm (G1-minor) levels on 01-02 Sep and 19 Sep due to positive polarity CH HSS effects. Unsettled to active levels are expected on 03-04 Sep, 12-16 Sep, 18 Sep, 20 Sep and 24-25 Sep due to positive polarity CH HSS effects. Mostly quiet levels are expected for the remainder of the outlook period.

:Product: 27-day Space Weather Outlook Table 27D0.txt
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# http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html
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#      27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
#           Issued 2015-08-31
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#      UTC      Radio Flux   Planetary   Largest
#      Date     10.7 cm       A Index    Kp Index
2015 Aug 31      90          8          3
2015 Sep 01      90         20          5
2015 Sep 02      85         22          5
2015 Sep 03      85         15          4
2015 Sep 04      85         10          3
2015 Sep 05      85          8          3
2015 Sep 06      85          8          3
2015 Sep 07      85          5          2
2015 Sep 08      85          5          2
2015 Sep 09      85          5          2
2015 Sep 10      85          5          2
2015 Sep 11      95          5          2
2015 Sep 12     105         12          3
2015 Sep 13     115         15          4
2015 Sep 14     115         10          3
2015 Sep 15     115          8          3
2015 Sep 16     115         10          3
2015 Sep 17     115          5          2
2015 Sep 18     115          8          3
2015 Sep 19     115         20          5
2015 Sep 20     115         10          3
2015 Sep 21     115          5          2
2015 Sep 22     115          5          2
2015 Sep 23     110          5          2
2015 Sep 24     105         15          4
2015 Sep 25      100         10          3
2015 Sep 26      90          5          2

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(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1789, DXLD)

GLENN'S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS AS OF SEPT 3, 2015

From IPS in Australia, Global HF Propagation outlook thru September 5:
normal to fair.

From Spaceweather South Africa, thru Sept 5: magnetic conditions
unsettled to quiet, shortwave fadeouts unlikely, MUF unstable.

From Met Office UK thru Sept 6: solar activity remaining at low or
very low levels. Geomagnetic activity is expected to be quiet to
unsettled, with a chance of active geomagnetic spells on September 5.
But No solar radiation storms expected.

F. K. Janda, OK1HH, Czech Propagation Interest Group, says the Geomagnetic field will be:

quiet to unsettled on September 4 - 5, 8 - 10, 14, 18

mostly quiet on September 6 - 7, 17, 20 - 21

quiet to active on September 11, 13, 15 - 16, 22

active to disturbed on September 12, 19, 23

From SWPC in Boulder: Solar activity very low to low until Sept 10 and 25-26. From Sep 11 to 24, activity levels are expected to increase to low to moderate (R1-minor).

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels Sept 12-16, A and K indices peaking at 15 and 4 on the 13th; also Sept 18, 20 and 24-25. And G1-minor storm levels on Sep 19 with A and K indices peaking at 20 and 5. Lowest A's and K's of 5 and 2, on Sept 7-11, 17, 21-23. Solar flux lowest at 85 thru Sept 10, then rising to a peak of 115, Sept 13-22; down to 90 by Sept 26.

Bill Hepburn's VHF UHF DX maps call for very strong tropospheric ducting September 6 over Minnesota, moving across the Great Lakes September 7 and 8; extreme ducting around Crete, Cyprus and Egypt most of the week, also moving from the western to the eastern Black Sea. And, all around the Arabian Peninsula (via DXLD) ####